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and the business meeting of the Town is at 9:00 AM Saturday, March 15, 2003 at the Town Hall
in Deering*

- Board of Selectmen

FOR DEDICATION IN SERVICE TO THE TOWN
A PROFILE OF HAZEL VOGELIEN
TOWN CLERK
1984-2003



In 1774 Ninian Aiken, first town clerk and later Captain in the Revolutionary War, recorded Deering's Town Charter. He could not have possibly imagined that his successors would one day register automobiles and work at computers. During the two hundred and twenty eight years since Deering's founding, the town has elected about twenty-five town clerks who have compiled the official records that are the basis of our history. Those holding this office perhaps have been the most familiar faces in Deering at any given time. For the first 163 three years only men served as Deering's town clerks. Then from 1937 to the present the office has been filled by four women including Marguerite Dutton who served from 1937 to 1956, Clara Rich from 1957 to 1983 and Hazel Vogeliën from 1984 to 2003. Since 1986 the offices of town clerk and tax collector have been combined and Hazel has held both offices since.

Hazel Vogeliën, who retires this March, has served as Town Clerk and Tax Collector since 1984. She was born and grew up in one of the oldest houses in town, built around 1772 by Samuel Patten, one of the first settlers to Deering. She went on to school in the North Deering School, now the home of Clara Rich, where Margaret Colburn taught all eight grades. Margaret remembers Hazel as a diligent student and a strong defender of her older brother. As a young mother during World War II Hazel spent several years on the family farm with her first two children while husband Leo served for five years in the army. After the war Hazel and Leo moved to Albany, New York, where they raised their four children. The Vogelien's moved back to the old family homestead in Deering in 1981.

Town clerks are the keepers of the historic record in New England. The first clerks began compiling vital statistics and recorded the goings on in their towns beginning in 1640. They are also the keepers of some of the most significant available genealogical information. Hazel has helped many out of towners trace their Deering ancestors and was impressed by the gentlemanly qualities of two Mormons who came to record those who died in Deering so they could pray for their salvation.

Hazel realized there were a few old Yankees left in Deering when, in her first year in office, a long-time Deering resident came in to register his dog. Hazel remembers explaining to him, "Bob, I'm sorry to tell you that dog licenses have gone up from three to five dollars." "Well," Bob replied, "I guess I'll have to go home and shoot the dog."

Town Clerks are supposed to know a lot. They are frequently asked questions such as: Where do I get a dump sticker? Do I obtain a death certificate from your office? Do you take credit cards and do I need a license for my cat?

Hazel's tenure as clerk and tax collector has spanned an era of profound change in Deering. When she came back to Deering in 1981 the town she had known as a young girl, a small rural farming community of around 350 souls, had mushroomed into a bustling middle class community of more than a thousand citizens. During her tenure she has seen the town's population expand to 2,000 people, an all time high.

Hazel has chartered the rapid turnover in population as well as the large influx of newcomers, in the number of cars registered, (now over 2000). She has also seen major changes in the town culture and how government operates. She witnessed the embarrassing arrest of the selectmen and road agent in 1991 on a spurious charge of building a bridge which one citizen alleged would not last five years. Now over ten years later, the bridge supports daily traffic across it. A few years ago she looked on as an irate selectman kidnapped the computer server and took it home.

But Hazel has seen more positive things than these rare examples of intrigue and discord. She has noted the many changes in zoning ordinances and the creation of the Budget Advisory Committee that has smoothed the budget process and eliminated much of the rancorous arguing at the town meetings. She has seen the development of a full time police force and an active fire department that sponsors the Rescue Squad, one of the most important services offered in Deering. She also speaks warmly of the many newcomers who have brought enthusiastic respect for the town's history and who have generously volunteered their time and energies to conservation, planning and other worthy efforts.

In all these swirling changes, it is almost impossible for any citizen to think of Deering government without recalling Hazel's warm smile and cheerful, "How may I help you?" Hazel is devoted to building a strong community in Deering and her good-natured handling of her daily duties has embodied that commitment for nineteen years. She regularly accepts calls at home, helps people who need things on Sundays and holidays and often delivers registration forms, marriage licenses and absentee ballots personally to peoples' homes. Hazel has performed weddings in the town hall and other venues as far away as Virginia; she has registered countless cars and dogs and dealt with some angry citizens who insisted that someone must have made a mistake, all the while keeping her composure and good nature.

Hazel has faithfully abided by her motto, "Public officials are here to serve the people." She has deflected anger with her grace and quiet efficiency, a keen sense of humor and most of all her great human compassion. Hazel has served us for nearly two decades as town clerk and tax collector. The people of Deering are greatly in her debt and she will be genuinely missed.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Web site www.deering.nh.us

Date of Incorporation January 17, 1774
Total Land Area 30.6 Square Miles
Total Inland Water Area 0.70 Square Miles

U.S. Congressional District..... Second
Representatives: Charles Bass

(E-mail address: cbass@mail.house.gov)

U.S. Senators: Judd Gregg
(E-mail address: mailbox@gregg.senate.gov)
John Sununu
(E-mail address: mailbox@sununu.senate.gov)

Senatorial District Seventh
State Senator: Robert Flanders

P.O. Box 1, Antrim, NH 03440-0001

State Representatives: Jarvis M. Adams
P.O. Box 343, Greenfield, NH 03047-0343
Lori J. O'Brien
159 U.S. Hwy 202,
Bennington, NH 03442-4118

District Court Hillsborough

2002 Population 1979
2000 Population 1875
1990 Population 1707
1980 Population 1041
Population Density Persons per Square Mile 61
Median Age..... 39
% Population Under Age 18 26%
% Population Over Age 65 11%
Total Number of Households..... 713
Average Number Persons per Household 2.5
Number of Housing Units..... 933
Median Household Income \$48,750

2002 Tax Rate\$37.24
Town8.82
School19.32
County.....1.85
State.....7.25

*See our website for further information and links concerning Deering, NH

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Term Expires

Peter Williams..... March, 2003
Beth Kelly March, 2004
Michelle Johnson March, 2005

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Marie Rivera, Chair March, 2004
Suzanne Huggard, Vice Chair..... March, 2003
Beverly Yeaple..... March, 2005

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Judith M. Wood March, 2003
Maureen Berger March, 2004
Jean Johnson March, 2005

MODERATOR

John Lassey March, 2004

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Ann Lindsey Getts March, 2004
Anna Lorber March, 2006
Eleanor Fitzpatrick..... March, 2008

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Hazel Vogelien..... March, 2003

TOWN TREASURER

Stuart Huggard..... March, 2005

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

Thomas Copadis..... March, 2004
Marie Rivera March, 2004
Don Johnson..... March, 2005

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT..... Robin Buchanan
BUILDING INSPECTOR.....John D. Wallace
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR/CLERK..... Nancy Cowan
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENTAce Card
FIRE CHIEF Andy Anderson
HEALTH OFFICER Debbie Misiolek
TOWN HISTORIAN Thomas Copadis
POLICE CHIEF..... James Pushee
ROAD AGENT..... Peter Beard
WELFARE OFFICERBoard of Selectmen

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles A. Gaides, Chair Joann Devine
 James Greene Keith Miles
 Beth Kelly Michelle Johnson
 Leesteffy Jenkins

BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lou Ellen Beard, Chair Thomas Copadis
 Stuart Huggard Don Johnson
 Michelle Johnson

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Charles A. Gaides, Chair Joann Devine
 James Greene Keith Miles
 Beth Kelly Michelle Johnson
 Leesteffy Jenkins

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Edward Cobbett, Chair March, 2005
 Beverly Yeaple, Secretary and Alternate March, 2004
 Leesteffy Jenkins, Treasurer March, 2006
 Gary Bono March, 2004
 Kym Hall March, 2004
 Michelle Johnson March, 2005
 Steve Ainsworth March, 2006

PLANNING BOARD

Keith Johnson, Chair March, 2005
 Stuart Huggard, Vice Chair March, 2004
 Linda Maddox, Clerk and Alternate March, 2004
 Beth Kelly, BOS Rep. March, 2004
 Kym Hall March, 2003
 Bob Compton March, 2004

POLICE CHIEF SEARCH COMMITTEE

Dr. John Sheehan, Chair Warren Nightingale
 Harry Thornley Beth Kelly
 Gale Lalmond Doug Connor
 Keith Miles

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT (SAFETY) COMMITTEE

Police Chief James Pushee..... Fire Chief Andy Anderson
Road Agent Peter Beard.....

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

John Lassey, ChairMarch, 2003
Larry Sunderland, Vice ChairMarch, 2004
Bob FullerMarch, 2003
Doug CraigheadMarch, 2004
Joe Lauzon, AlternateMarch, 2005
W. Glen Duer, AlternateMarch, 2005

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The year 2002 was the usual, difficult, and interesting time for the Board of Selectmen. Usual because though we have no commercial zone to govern we find plenty to do. Difficult because three people need to work together, and interesting because of the knowledge you gain along the way.

With the help of a committee that included members of our community the Town has a new Police Chief. Chief Pushee has been with us now since October.

We have completed our digitized Town tax maps.

Any such changes made will be reflected in the fall tax bills. The partial revaluation portion of our Town wide reassessment was completed on schedule for the year 2002. We also have a new Town web site (www.deering.nh.us) which we encourage you to use to stay current on what's happening in Town or to contact your local officials. You'll also find useful links, documents like this Town report or the map of the Town on-line for your convenience.

The Town was able to operate without borrowing monies or applying for a TAN (tax anticipation note) and as of December 31, 2002, the Town is debt free. This is a result of steady attention paid to the flow of cash throughout the year by the Board, Department Heads, Assistant Administrator, Treasurer, and Town Clerk/Tax Collector all working collectively. The means have not been easy, but the result has been that we have avoided having to pay interest on borrowed money.

Working collectively is the key to success in small towns like Deering. Communication and participation are important elements of that process. For such reasons we meet with our Department Heads monthly and our active committees just as often. Though we have full committees right now, volunteers are appreciated and welcomed to attend meetings or become involved in specific projects our committees are working on.

In November Pete Williams, who had served on the Board since 1999, resigned due to medical reasons. The two remaining members worked very hard with one another to wrap up 2002 and go forward with the new year. We appreciate the support of those who helped us through that process.

Working in conjunction with many of the committees already established and some newly established, we have already begun several new projects for the forthcoming year. Such projects include the establishment of a purchase order system for the Town, updating our employee policies and procedures manual, revising our employee job descriptions, instituting a wage scale for employees, and a review of our benefits package, just to name a few. Other goals include improving the maintenance of the Town Hall, continuing communication with Antrim concerning the West Deering Bridge improvements, and perambulating our Town boundaries.

As challenging as it may be as a Selectmen, we look forward to welcoming our newly elected Town Officials and hope to make this next year a successful one. We encourage your comments, questions and concerns and above all your active participation.

Thank you,
Board of Selectmen

**BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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HISTORY:

The Deering Budget Advisory Committee was formed by the Board of Selectmen as a result of a request for such a committee made at the 1995 annual Town Meeting. A charge was developed and committee members were solicited. The Capital Improvements Program Committee was formed by the Board of Selectmen in 1998 through a request from the Budget Advisory Committee. These now joint committees have added additional committee members in 1999, 2000 and 2002.

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARGE:

To provide guidance and counsel to the heads of the police, fire and rescue, and highway departments in the development of the annual budgets for their departments.

To recommend to the department heads budgeting and internal accounting procedures that will make the budget easily understood by the citizens of Deering at the annual Town Meeting.

To submit a budget to the Board of Selectmen, taking into account the requests and needs of the various departments.

To recognize that all final budget submissions to the voters of Deering are the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE CRAB:

To provide an overview of the community's needs and to provide a means for carrying out projects according to priorities and within the community's ability to pay.

To provide for discussion during the development of a CIP regarding the distribution of the tax burden of any proposed capital expenditure over time.

To develop a five (5) year Deering CIP that addresses the community's need to avoid any unpleasant surprises regarding expensive projects generating large property tax increases.

To provide an annual review and evaluation of all town projects, thus avoiding duplication of expenditures and discouraging piecemeal improvements.

To provide adequate time to plan, design, and implement major construction projects.

To provide a vehicle to evaluate the financial consequences of major projects and to plan for bond issues and other methods of paying for improvements.

To provide a way to inform the taxpayer of upcoming needs, to focus attention on community goals, and to serve as an educational tool.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Beginning in October 2002 the Budget Advisory Committee along with the Board of Selectmen began work on the 2003 Town of Deering Budget and the 2003-2007 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) review process. The committee and the board got right to work. We began by reviewing the various budget proposals that were submitted to us from the department heads of the Police Department, the Fire and Rescue Department and the Highway Department. This year, with a new Police Chief, the police budget process was a new experience for the chief. It was also a learning experience for the committee and the board as we heard for the first time his thoughts on proposed directions for the department and budget implications for those directions.

We met individually with each of the department heads, reviewed their budget proposals and listened to their thinking behind the numbers. We carefully reviewed all proposals and made suggestions for decreases and sometimes increases. We decided and agreed upon a budget that we will present to the Board of Selectmen. We delivered our proposals to the various department heads and set up meetings for them to come, if they wished, and further review the budget and hear the reasoning behind our recommendations.

In reviewing the various budget proposals we were constantly made aware of the need for a town- wide, consistent set of personnel policies. Therefore, both the Budget Advisory Committee and the Board of Selectmen have agreed that this should be a priority this year. The Board of Selectmen will be forming a committee charged with reviewing all personnel policies in effect, and in developing a comprehensive set of town-wide personnel policies. If you would like to assist by serving on this committee, please contact the Board of Selectmen.

This year in trying to update and project a new five-year CIP we were presented with requests for some small amounts, such as funding the Master Plan and for some very large amounts, such as a Highway Department grader, a police vehicle, and a Fire Department pumper. We considered all proposals and decided to present the Highway Department grader, which has been in the CIP matrix for two years now and the Master Plan which is a new request for consideration by the voters this year. We decided to maintain our previous plan for a police vehicle every three years with the next one to come before the voters in 2005. We also decided to include the Fire Department pumper in the CIP matrix and have scheduled it to come before the voters for approval in 2005. We are proposing that the town consider, this year, the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund. This fund, if approved, would put aside a modest amount of money each year to be held in anticipation of any future needs of the town. This money could only be committed or spent by a vote of the town. These proposals and this entire CIP reflect our efforts to maintain a level cost of capital improvements and spread them out as best we can so that the total amount spent is approximately the same from year to year while also providing the necessary capital improvements for our town.

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These Town of Deering budget proposals and the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) matrix is the result of a concentrated effort by the Budget Advisory Committee to achieve the best possible town services in the most cost-effective manner, while also planning for the capital needs of the town well into the future. These proposals, in our opinion, represent a realistic yearly budget proposal taking into account all of the necessary costs associated with the services provided by the Police Department, the Fire and Rescue Department and the Highway Department. We wish to thank the Deering Board of Selectmen and the department heads for their cooperation and their assistance,

If you have budget expertise and are interested in becoming a member of the Budget Advisory Committee and Capital Improvements Program Committee we would welcome you. Our committee, along with many other boards and committees in Deering, are experiencing a shortage of men and women interested in serving the town. If you are interested please give me a call.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles A. Gaides

**BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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DEERING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MATRIX

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Fire Department Pumper	\$41,667	\$41,667	\$41,667	\$41,667	\$41,667			\$58,320	\$58,320	\$58,320
Hwy Oshkosh	30,545	30,545	30,545	30,545						
Police Cruiser	9,392	9,392	9,392		21,192			12,000	12,000	
Hwy Truck – Town Mtg. Vote	14,364	14,364								
Hwy Backhoe			9,372	9,372	27,146					
Town Mtg. Vote										
Fire/Rescue Ambulance				17,021	14,000					
Town Tax Map			18,000	18,000	18,000					
Hwy Dept. International			20,306	19,209	19,209					
Master Plan						7,500	7,500			
Hwy Dump Truck										
Town Wide Assessment					30,000	30,000	30,000			
Hwy Grader										
Sanitary Land Fill Closure						35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Road Repair & Reconstruction	90,000	90,000	76,000	69,000	81,566	91,000	91,000	73,000	73,000	85,000
Capital Reserve NOT COMMITTED						25,000	25,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
TOTAL	\$185,968	\$195,340	\$205,282	\$204,814	\$252,780	\$220,500	\$220,500	\$220,320	\$220,320	\$220,320

**BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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The Building Committee completed its second year of work and identified its major priorities as recommending a systematic and on-going maintenance of the Town Hall, including regular implementation of repairs and cleaning, a schedule of painting inside and out, clearing and organization of upstairs middle room and exploration of additional space for town office expansion either within the Town Hall or the construction of a separate building.

The committee completed a study of New Hampshire towns about the size of Deering that had constructed a town office and/or police building during the past five years. 103 questionnaires were sent out to these towns and ninety-one were returned. Of the returned questionnaires, thirty-one towns had engaged in building projects. The size and expenses for these building projects ranged from a \$1,000,000.00 project in Fremont to a new \$250,000 town office and police station in Jackson. Committee members visited some of the buildings and took pictures of several building projects.

The committee, in cooperation with the Board of Selectmen, undertook an extensive examination of the Town Hall and solicited opinions and recommendations for its renovation. Two consultants were invited to inspect the building and offer suggestions for its maintenance and a better use of space within the building. Both architects found the building in solid condition, but agreed that it needed paint and other cosmetic repairs, especially a thorough scraping and repainting of the exterior. The consultants explained that old buildings like the Town Hall have some spring, but that is the way they were built. They thought the upstairs floor was strong enough to support normal weights and activities, including development of office space. The architects agreed with the committee that the installation of a lift was feasible and would make the building handicapped accessible. Subsequently the well-known architect, Rick Monahan, was hired to provide general suggestions for better use of the Town Hall space and to provide sketches of possible configurations for the building, including opening up all of the upstairs for office and meeting space.

The committee and Board of Selectmen agreed that steps need to be taken to safeguard town records and papers and that the Town Hall ceiling needs painting. Michelle Johnson proceeded to arrange for volunteers to scrape the ceiling and Lou Ellen Beard selected a reputable contractor to paint the ceiling. The committee recommends that funds be appropriated to begin a systematic painting schedule of the town hall and to carry out regular maintenance on this historic building. During the coming year the committee will continue work with Mr. Monahan to explore the possibilities of reconstituting Town Hall use and opening the central space in the upstairs of the Town Hall building.

Lou Ellen Beard, Chair
Thomas Copadis
Stuart Huggard
Don Johnson
Michelle Johnson

**BUILDING INSPECTOR
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Once again the Town of Deering is growing—single-family homes are going up everywhere. Here is the result of building permit applications that were accepted during 2002:

New Homes	17	Additions	7
New Mobile Homes	3	Porches, decks, screen houses	9
Garage, carport	3	Outbuildings	4
Barns	2	Alterations	2
Apartment	1	Roof replacement	1
House replacement	1		

Respectfully submitted,
John Wallace

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE
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The first year as Chairman for the cemeteries of Deering found me with some challenges. Problems with the company who had put in a bid turned out to be more than his company could handle. After many phone calls trying to come up with a solution I had to relieve him of his contract. I then hired four gentlemen from Deering who have done a wonderful job of keeping the cemeteries looking well manicured. We have had several compliments this past season.



Also we welcomed aboard Suzanne Huggard as Vice Chairman after accepting the resignation of Louis Rivera.

We did not do repairs this past year as monies were set aside for the auditing of our books from the past four years.

This year we hope to repair the fences at East Deering Cemetery along with stone repairs at different cemeteries. Tree work needs to be done at Goodall and this kind of work is an on-going thing.

We hope to have continued success with our lawn crew this coming season and we thank the Selectmen for their support.

Sincerely,

Marie Rivera
Chairman, Deering Cemeteries

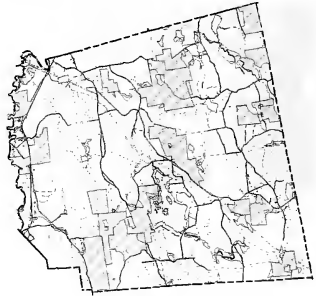
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&
RESOURCE RECOVERY COOPERATIVE
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BUDGET 2002

Wheelabrator Concord Company Services Fees		\$1,962,840.00
Rebates and Reconciliation Reserve		70,350.00
Bypass Disposal Cost Reserve		200,000.00
Franklin Residue Landfill:		
Operation and Maintenance	\$969,322.00	
Expansion Sinking Fund	2,100,000.00	
Closure Fund	23,000.00	
Long Term Maintenance Fund	5,000.00	
	<u>3,097,322.00</u>	3,097,322.00
Cooperative Expenses, Consultants and Studies		<u>407,520.00</u>
TOTALS		5,738,032.00
Less: Interest, Surplus, Recycled Tons and Communities over GAT		<u>909,000.00</u>
NET TO BE RAISED BY CO-OP COMMUNITIES		\$4,829,032.00
2003 GAT of \$133,506.00 and Net Budget of \$4,939,264.00 =		
TIPPING FEE OF \$37.00 PER TON		
TIPPING FEE OF \$66.50 PER TON OVER BASE TONNAGE		

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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The year 2002 has been a successful one for the Deering Conservation Commission (DCC). Our efforts and cooperation with other conservation organizations resulted in the permanent protection of several large and ecologically sensitive areas of the Town of Deering. The DCC sponsored a land protection seminar and provided conservation options literature to landowners in the Town of Deering. The DCC is currently working on or assisting in the permanent protection of additional parcels in the Town, which should be completed in the year 2003. The DCC would like to thank the citizens of the Town and our supporters who have so vigorously and generously supported our efforts.



Our annual duties including the lake monitoring program, wood duck restoration program, Deering aquifer study, and the monitoring of dredge and fill permits continues. The DCC did have problems with the surface water-monitoring program in 2002 due to the unavailability of the instruments. Hopefully, we can get back on track in 2003. A new program was initiated last year, which was a cooperative effort of the DCC and the Deering Lake Improvement Association. This program was set up to monitor incoming boats for the presence of invasive weeds such as Milfoil. The project involved lake hosts who performed voluntary inspections of boats and boat trailers for weed fragments. This effort to protect Deering Lake was very well received and was funded via a grant and monies appropriated at the Town Meeting. A similar effort is being planned for this year.

The DCC will have a full membership in 2003 for the first time in many years. We will have alternate memberships open and anyone who is interested should contact us at his or her convenience. As the pressures of development grow on our Town, we will need dedicated and intelligent citizens on all of our Town Boards. Ultimately, the local Town government will have a profound affect on what Deering will be. Please help the Town by getting involved in the planning and regulation of our growth to sustain the community, historical heritage, and natural surroundings that are so much a part of life in the Town of Deering.

Respectfully submitted,

Deering Conservation Commission

CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
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Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Deering is a member in good standing of the Commission.

The Commission's mission is to improve, through education, training, and planning assistance, the ability of the municipalities of the region to prepare and implement municipal plans; to prepare a plan for effective and appropriate development and utilization of the resources of the region; and to assist municipalities in carrying out the regional plan.

The Commission provides a variety of planning services, including consultations on planning issues; planning research; sample ordinances, regulations, and planning documents; access to Census information and other data sources; grant information; review and comment on planning documents; development review; and educational programs. Membership also entitles a community to affordable master planning assistance, geographic information systems (GIS) mapping, and other land use and transportation planning-related assistance.

During 2002, CNHRPC staff assisted the Town of Deering in the development of the Community Survey and the analysis of responses. In addition, staff provided general planning assistance related to questions regarding local development trends and growth in Central New Hampshire.

In addition to the local services described above, in 2002 the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission:

- Provided general local planning assistance to member municipalities and responded to inquiries regarding zoning ordinance, subdivision regulation, and site plan review regulation revisions.
- Held four meetings of the CNHRPC Regional Resource Conservation Committee (R2C2), including one held in Deering. The R2C2 seeks to bring representatives of each of the region's communities together to work on conservation issues that affect the overall region.
- Coordinated two public forums related to housing issues in the Central NH region with funding provided by the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (NHHFA).
- Conducted approximately 170 traffic counts throughout the region.
- Organized and hosted three meetings of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

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- Initiated the update of the FY 2005-2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Completed the CNHRPC Multi-Use Trail Plan.
- Initiated the update and expansion of the regional transportation model.
- Provided assistance to municipalities, groups and interested individuals regarding the Transportation Enhancements (TE) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) programs.
- Provided continuing technical assistance to the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC).
- Continued the development of an update to the Land Use section of the Regional Plan.
- Hosted a Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) application workshop.
- Provided assistance to CNHRPC member towns regarding National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participation and compliance.
- Prepared an update to the regional conservation lands geographic information services (GIS) map and database.
- Assisted local housing and childcare advocacy groups through funding provided by the Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA).
- Provided support and assistance to local trail advocacy groups and land trusts.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or your representative to the Commission, Michelle Johnson or visit us on the internet at www.cnhrpc.org.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT
&
RESCUE SQUAD
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The Deering Fire and Rescue responded to a combined total of 160 calls in 2002.

Fifty-five of the calls were fire related; Mutual Aid responses topped the list with fifteen, followed by Miscellaneous Service Calls with eleven. There

were nine Motor Vehicle Accidents, four calls for Lines Down, two responses to assist the Rescue Company, one Carbon Monoxide Alarm and one Hazardous Material incident. There were also three calls each for Chimney Fires, Fire Alarm Activation's, Motor Vehicle Fires and Structure Fires.

Rescue Squad responses totaled 105 with sixty-five Medical Emergencies, thirty-seven Trauma calls and three Miscellaneous Service Calls.

Members of the Department participated in vigorous training throughout the year in subjects ranging from Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation to negotiating a New Hampshire Fire Academy Obstacle Course in total darkness while wearing Self Contained Breathing Apparatus. The Dartmouth-Hitchcock Air Response Team (DHART) even visited Deering in August, landing their helicopter at Hawthorne Airport as part of a class.

While all of our members are trained in CPR, our EMT-Basics also handle splinting, first aid, patient assessment, and to assist other, higher trained providers when a patient is in serious condition. With our Advanced Life Support providers, we are essentially able to bring the hospital Emergency Room to you. Our EMT-Intermediates are trained in airway support and establishing IV lines. Paramedics are trained to be able to manage emergencies by providing advanced airway support and administering life saving medications when necessary.

In closing, I would like to include our annual reminder to make sure that you have smoke detectors in your home and that they are working properly. Make and practice an exit plan with your family. At the first sign of fire evacuate immediately and report the fire to 911 from a safe location. Designate a meeting place outside of your home so you will be sure that everyone has left the building. If you have any questions contact a member of the Fire and Rescue and we will be happy to assist you.

On behalf of the members of the Department, I thank you for your continued faith and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Anderson
Chief of Department

**FIRE DEPARTMENT
&
RESCUE SQUAD
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**DEERING FIRE AND RESCUE
2002 APPARATUS CONDITION**

APPARATUS	MAKE & MODEL -	CONDITION	2002 MAINTENANCE COST
84M1	1985 KME INTERNATIONAL - ENGINE	GOOD	\$9,249.08
84M2	1999 FREIGHTLINER - ENGINE	VERY GOOD	\$4,531.70
84M3	1964 FWD - ENGINE	POOR	\$335.35
84K1	1996 INTERNATIONAL - TANKER/ENGINE	VERY GOOD	\$3,794.53
84K2	1987 INTERNATIONAL - TANKER	GOOD	\$219.90
84O1	1967 JEEP - FORESTRY VEHICLE	GOOD	\$1,251.09
84X1	2001 FORD - AMBULANCE	EXCELLENT	\$550.49



**FOREST FIRE WARDEN & FOREST RANGER
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

With the 2002 fire season behind us, I would like to start by reporting a change in the law for 2003. As of January 1st the State of NH has passed a new law making it illegal to burn any household trash outside. We have been in contact with the residents in our town that burn trash so that they could make other arrangements for disposal.

The fire season started out very dry early in the spring. Although we were spared any Wild Fires in our Town, we had two close calls. Fire trucks were called to extinguish an unattended campfire and trucks also had to respond to property where two brush piles were burning unattended. Although both fires were successfully extinguished, they could have easily spread to nearby forest.

During the year we were called to check on two unattended brush piles, one unattended campfire, one non-permit brush pile, one "odor of smoke", and four non-permit campfires.

Please remember that when there is no snow on the ground a written permit is required for all outside fires, including campfires. For permits or any information on outside burning, please call me at 464-3203.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Putnam
Deering Forest Fire Warden

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

The fall of 2002 was a continuation of spring with snowstorm after snowstorm, severely taxing the sand and salt budgets, as well as overtime.

The paving of a short section of Longwoods Road (around the mountain) was long overdue and well received by those who use it.

The drainage projects on Cross Road and East Deering Road were completed, as well as a complete overlay on Cross Road.



Projects for 2003 proposed are reconstruction of the lower half of Clement Hill as well as an addition to the Highway Garage to house the new grader (with taxpayer approval).

Your support, as always, is appreciated.

Road Agent,
Peter Beard

ROAD DEPARTMENT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE REPORT

VEHICLE	1999	2000	2001	2002
GRADER	\$1,957.97	\$4,841.24	\$26,757.93	\$ 1,120.06
LOADER	1,438.21	2,320.69	1,799.34	11,267.92
84 CHEVY DUMP TRUCK	1,100.46	1,810.36	4,093.76	991.00
86 CHEVY DUMP TRUCK	2,099.18	987.27	1,653.68	2470.99
2000 INT. DUMP TRUCK		695.85	503.72	1,670.67
95 INT. DUMP TRUCK	3,536.27	5,966.00	2,673.21	7,947.58
INTERNATIONAL PAYSTAR	723.49	1,018.11	8,055.05	737.60
90 FORD 1-TON PICKUP	927.44	623.80	695.35	755.28
REO TANKER TRUCK	35.06	92.88	39.76	32.75
ROAD BROOM & YORK RAKE	1,002.16	1,934.71	854.46	1,323.60
BACKHOE	544.21	671.42	509.99	2,565.03
TOTALS:	\$17,076.50	\$20,962.33	\$47,636.25	\$30,882.48

**HILLSBOROUGH PARKS BOARD
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Park Board once again thanks the voters of Hillsborough for their generous support of our programs and facilities. This year, the Park Board has overseen projects and events at all of the parks and is proud to report that many projects are community driven.

Rob Beard, head of Parks and Maintenance, has worked throughout the year to keep the parks clean and well maintained. We wish to thank him for his hard work and commitment. Thanks are also extended to the Hillsborough Highway Department for continuing to aid in maintaining our parks.

Throughout the year, the Hillsboro Lion's Club has been planning with the Town to add additional playground equipment at Grimes Field. We thank them for their continued support and involvement.

During the spring, the After School Program completed an outstanding project, providing manpower (and kid power) to spruce up Beard Brook Park under the direction of Tom Delisle. They also provided picnic tables and grills for the park. We are extremely grateful for their generosity and applaud their accomplishments on behalf of the Town of Hillsborough. We also would like to extend a thank you to all parents, children and staff of the After School Program for committing their time, funding and effort to such a worthwhile project.

Butler Park has provided a wonderful area for residents as well as visitors. It is a pleasure to see this area frequented and enjoyed by so many. Again, the community and the Butler Park Revitalization Committee provide the care needed to make this downtown park such a beautiful place.

The Summer Programs, under the direction of Terri Mitchell, were a huge success. All programs saw increased participation, serving a total of 263 children. We look forward to another successful year providing day camps, swimming lessons, activity weeks, adventure camps, performances, tennis camps and senior activities. Great job, Terri and staff!

Community input and involvement is an integral part of the success of our Parks and Recreation Department. We welcome your ideas and support in future programs. The Park Board meets the first Tuesday of every month in the courtroom behind the library. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Board, please, contact the Selectmen's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

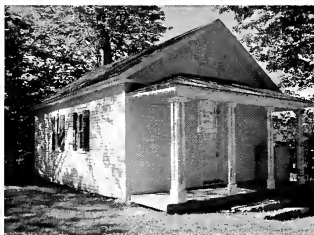
Jim Bailey, Chairman

Members:

Alan Kingsbury

Terry Cutter

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**



The Deering Library was open on Wednesday and Saturday mornings from May to October. During the summer months young children gathered for a Story Hour on Wednesday mornings sponsored by the Deering Association. Deborah Albert, Kathy Lassey, Lauren Warner and Mina Cowie took turns telling stories and providing refreshments for the children. The children's book section was expanded and a video collection was added.

To make books and videos accessible to more young people, the library experimented with having a Deering Library bookmobile that, during July, carried books once a week to West Deering. The trustees intend to expand the bookmobile, extending both the area the van visits and the frequency of trips. The trustees would also like to establish ways to deliver books to shut-ins on a regular basis.

The Library instituted a monthly meeting of the *Full Moon Poetry Circle* led by Jeanne Bartlett. The Poetry Circle meets the first Monday of each month and, as Ms. Bartlett says, "The moon is not always full when we get together but our hearts are full as we share reading, listening and discussing poems." All are invited - no experience needed. Poets shared so far include Robert Frost, Elizabeth Bishop, Pablo Neruda, Robinson Jeffers, Billie Collins, Jane Kenyon and Walt Whitman. The library is also making plans to sponsor regular play readings.

Community volunteers, under the direction of the office of youth services, worked on painting the building.

The trustees are planning to create a Friends of the Library to help keep the library open more hours, expand the bookmobile, consider strategies for improving the physical condition of this historic building, and organize and support other library activities, such as book discussions and historic exhibits. Anyone interested is urged to call either Judy Wood (464-5108) or Jean Johnson (529-7764).

Submitted by Maureen Berger, Judy Wood and Jean Johnson

**PLANNING BOARD
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Planning Board and the Master Plan Survey Committee (members of the Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, and Planning Board) developed a survey under the directions of Stephanie Alexander of Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) between May and September of 2002 with a finalized copy made during October. The result was a mailing of over 1,100 surveys and with a return of over 350 for a rate of over 30%, considered a good response.



The findings will be printed in the Town Report as the basis for Phase 2 and 3 of the Master Plan. The Board is requesting \$15,000 for the two phases for years 2003 and 2004, which will result in a completed Master Plan by either the end of 2004 or the beginning of 2005. Due to our early start, the CNHRPC awarded the Town of Deering a grant of \$4,500 for the 2003 phase. Without the grant the first year cost alone would have been \$12,000.

The updated Master Plan is critical in looking ahead to the handling of growth in the coming years. The beginning of 2002 saw a few requests for subdivisions; the fall was just the opposite. Subdivisions this year included 3 lots on Route 149, 2 on Gove Road, 3 on Manselville Road, 3 on Skye Farm Road and one currently on East Deering Road. Weare has experienced considerable growth in the past two years. Now this seems to be spilling over the border into Deering. The Master Plan will assist the Planning Board and other town boards in dealing with the anticipated growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Copadis, Chair
Members of the Planning Board

**POLICE DEPARTMENT
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**



Hello, my name is James Pushee, and if you have not yet met me, I am your new Chief of Police. Without question, 2002 has been a year of changes within the Town and especially within your Police Department. As all of you know, Mark Plummer resigned in the early part of the year, and after a lengthy search, I was hired by the Board of Selectmen and began my tour of duty in October. When I assumed command, the Police Department was staffed solely by Corporal Harry Thornley, and he was pursuing an assignment to the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office. Corporal Thornley completed his tour of

duty in Deering during the first week of December. By all accounts, including my own short experience working alongside him, Corporal Thornley's presence will be missed.

Deputies from the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office may also have served you this year. As the Department has been shorthanded for much of the year, Deputy Sheriffs have been "subcontracted" to provide additional patrol services to the town. The most active Deputies in this regard were Brian Newcomb (during the summer months), and Bill Christiano (during the summer and once again during the holiday season).

As of the writing of this report, I have been hard at work since mid-October trying to find the best possible candidates to fill the Department roster. I have also been handling the daily tasks of policing a small town and trying to play "catch up" with a Department that had gone without an administrator for more than half of the year. At this time the Department is investigating the backgrounds and histories of two applicants, one full time and one part time. The goal with these candidates is to have both of them on the roster, academy certified, and trained for patrol duty by mid-summer.

You also may have noticed a few of the more visible changes that have taken place. One of these is the new Ford police sedan that you approved at Town Meeting, which replaced the very tired 1994 model. As well, the Department vehicles sport a new decal design. The new decals on the cruisers were designed and donated by Laura Maine at Maineline Graphics, with the assistance of Selectperson Michelle Johnson. The new design incorporates reflective and highly visible markings to enhance officer safety and recognition. The decals also provide a new and distinct look for the Deering Police Department. The Department wishes to thank Maineline Graphics for their generous gift.

One of the other highly visible changes within the Department is the incorporation of new uniforms. The new gray shirts provide a very distinct and recognizable uniform. The intent is to identify the Deering Police officers apart from the officers of the towns surrounding us. As well, these new uniforms, while still providing an aura of authority, have a less "aggressive" appearance and should help to make the Deering Police officers appear friendlier and more approachable to the public.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

On this note, I extend my invitation to all residents (and non-residents alike) to feel free to call on the Deering Police for any issue. Whether you hear a funny noise, see a suspicious person, have stray animals around, are leaving on vacation and need your house checked, or are the victim of a crime, please call the Department immediately.

Obviously, at this time with the shortage of officers within the Department, your specific concerns may either be held until I come on duty myself, or they may be passed on to a New Hampshire State Trooper to cover while I am off-duty. My goal for 2003 though, is to bring the Deering Police Department back to a strength where any and all calls for service will be handled by your own Police Department. Fulfilling this goal would ensure a more consistent level of service to the community, a shorter response times to calls (in most instances anyway), and a personal response by officers who have individual concerns to the Town of Deering.

The list of records from the past year accompanying this narrative report was compiled by running status checks on the Police Department's computerized record keeping system. Unfortunately, any calls answered by the Deputy Sheriff's working in Deering were not filed with this system, so that those reports needed to be researched and counted by hand. The statistics and records reported herein then are those of the Deputy Sheriffs reports added to the computerized reports of the Deering Police. These records show no portions of the calls answered by Troopers from the New Hampshire State Police.

At this time I would like to thank the Police Chief Selection Committee and the Board of Selectmen for their faith in my abilities to come in and begin the task of rebuilding your Police Department. My wife, children, and myself are well on our way to becoming part of your community, and we look forward to meeting more of you. I am enjoying the new challenges this position has given me, and I truly look forward to creating a Police Department that you, as residents of Deering, will be proud to call your own. Please, call the Department with any issues you may have. I hope that we can work together to make Deering the safest and best community possible. If we are not on duty when you call, please make sure you leave a message on our voice mail, so that we can return your call and answer your questions or concerns as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
James Pushee
Chief of Police



**POLICE DEPARTMENT
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RECORDS FOR JANUARY 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002

TOTAL OFFENSES REPORTED	390	TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	962
TOTAL FELONY LEVEL OFFENSES			
RPTD.	6		
TOTAL CRIME RELATED REPORTS	360	WEAPONS USED IN OFFENSES	12
TOTAL NON-CRIME RELATED REPORTS	61	PISTOL PERMITS ISSUED/RENEWED	25
TOTAL ARRESTS	33	PISTOL PERMITS REVOKED/DENIED	5
REPORTS INVOLVING DOMESTIC			
VIOLENCE	32		
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARRESTS	3		
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	3	SIMPLE ASSAULT	10
HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION	17	BURGLARY	2
SHOPLIFTING	1	THEFT (FROM BUILDING)	7
THEFT (FROM MOTOR VEHICLE)	1	THEFT (VEHICLE PARTS)	2
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	2	DAMAGE/DESTRUCTION/VANDALISM	17
DRUG/NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	1	STATUTORY RAPE	1
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	3	BAD CHECKS	2
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	8	DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	4
FAMILY OFFENSES (NON-VIOLENT)	3	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	5
RUNAWAY	1	TRESPASSING	9
<u>ALL OTHER OFFENSES</u>		<u>TRAFFIC OR TOWN ORDINANCES</u>	
LITTERING/UNLAWFUL ACTS	3	ALARMS ANSWERED	24
CONTRIBUTE TO DELINQUENCY	3	ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	45
DISORDERLY CONDUCT (JUVENILE)	2	ATL/BOL	3
HUNTING RESTRICTIONS	1	HOUSE CHECKS	17
VIOLATION OF PROBATION	1	CIVIL PROBLEMS	20
CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR CONDUCT	1	FIRE/RESCUE ASSIST.	17
UNSWORN FALSIFICATION	1	DEPARTMENT ASSIST.	28
FALSE REPORT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT	1	LOST AND FOUND	2
RESISTING ARREST OR DETENTION	1	PERSONS ASSISTED	108
HARASSMENT (TELEPHONE)	6	INVOLUNTARY ADMISSION	2
PROWLING OR LOITERING	1	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	12
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	3	OHV	2
<u>MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS</u>		DRIVE AFTER SUSPENSION	2
WARNINGS	174	CONDUCT AFTER ACC.	2
SUMMONS/CITED	38	OTHER	36

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

The towns of Hillsborough, Deering and Windsor are continuing their recycling efforts and recycled 498 tons at a rate of 30% for the year 2002. The recycling facility received an award for the best town recycling facility from the Northeast Resource Recovery Association. This is quite an honor considering facilities from several states were competing for the award.

INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 2002

EXPENSES

Operating budget and bond payment	\$ 485,195.49
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INCOME

Recycling	9,179.34
Tipping Fees	134,141.25
Other materials receipts (metal, C&D, etc.)	35,077.40
Deering including bond payment	87,965.85
Windsor including bond payment	19,11.49

Net Hillsborough Expense including bond payment	\$ 199,320.16
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The committee was formed as an advisory committee and during the year 2003 will be reevaluating its goals. We are looking forward to another good recycling year.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Stellato, Hillsborough, Chairperson

Ed Cobbett, Deering

Ann Mooney, Hillsborough

Cliff MacDonald, Windsor

Bill Morris, Deering, Facilities Manager

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

During 2002, the Zoning Board of Adjustment considered five applications. One was denied, three were granted, and one matter is still pending.



- A request for a variance to convert seven lots of record on Dickey Hill Road into three new lots, two of which would be smaller than allowed under the zoning ordinance, was denied because the ZBA found that by changing the boundaries somewhat from those proposed, no new nonconforming lots would have to be created, and, therefore, no variance would be necessary.
- A request for a variance to allow the construction of an apartment as an addition to a barn on East Deering Road was granted, with conditions, because the board found that the conditions imposed would effectively eliminate the nonconformity (rear setback too small).
- A request for a variance to build a single family dwelling on a small grandfathered lot on Deering Reservoir, previously granted in 2000, was granted again after a rehearing ordered by the Superior Court.
- A request for a special exception to allow additional telecommunications equipment to be co-located on the communications tower on Wolf Hill was granted.
- A number of Deering citizens appealed decisions by the Board of Selectmen relating to a junkyard license for property in West Deering. After extensive public hearings, the ZBA found that the junkyard had been expanded in violation of the Zoning Ordinance, and that future licenses cannot be issued without variances and /or special exceptions required by the Ordinance. The ZBA's decision is subject to appeal.

The ZBA prepared a number of recommended changes to the Deering Zoning Ordinance, which, if adopted, would:

- Amend the "Statement of Purpose" section of the ordinance to bring it up to date with changes made by the NH Legislature.
- Amend the floodplain development section of the ordinance to bring it into compliance with federal flood insurance requirements.
- Authorize the ZBA, should it become necessary or desirable to incur unusual expenses in connection with an application, to impose such expenses on the applicant.
- Make a number of "housekeeping" changes to the ordinance, mostly to correct outdated or erroneous cross-references.
- Amend the wetlands section of the ordinance in order to update it and incorporate recommendations of the Deering Conservation Commission.

The Board meets regularly at the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

John A. Lassey, Chairman

**2002
ANNUAL TOWN REPORT
OF
DEERING, NEW HAMPSHIRE**



TOWN WARRANT

MARCH 11, 2003

To the inhabitants of the Town of Deering in the County of Hillsborough s.s., in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

GREETINGS!

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Deering on **Tuesday the 11th day of March, 2003 at 11:00 A.M.** in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. Are you in favor of amending the “Statement of Purpose” of the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to reflect changes in the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSAs) governing the required purposes of zoning ordinances?

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of amending certain provisions of Section 9 of the Zoning Ordinance (“National Floodplain Development”), as proposed by the Planning Board, to reflect changes in federal requirements?

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of amending Section 7 of the Zoning Ordinance (“Board of Adjustment and Administrative Provisions”) as proposed by the Planning Board, to authorize the Board of Adjustment (ZBA) to impose certain costs upon the applicants who appear before it?

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to make administrative improvements in several areas as follows: (1) by changing a number of erroneous internal cross-references within the text of the Ordinance; (2) by correcting a number of cross-references to external documents to reflect changes in such documents or the law; and (3) by changing the order and paragraph designations of three provisions of Section 4 (Commercial Exceptions and Variances) to clarify application requirements?

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of amending Section 5 of the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to incorporate improvements in the identification and protection of wetlands as recommended by the United States Army Corps of Engineers and other agencies, and to clarify that one of the purposes of the section is to protect wetlands contiguous to surface waters?

POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 11:00 A.M., and will remain open until **7:00 P.M.** (The polls may continue to be open following the above hour by vote of the meeting, but may not be closed before the hour of 7:00 P.M. – RSA 39:2).

ADDITIONALLY, pursuant to RSA 39:2a, you are hereby notified that Articles 7 through 26 will be taken up on **Saturday the 15th of March, 2003 next, at 9:00 A.M.** in the morning.

(All articles hereinafter are submitted by the Selectmen unless otherwise noted.)

ARTICLE 7. (Acceptance of Town reports)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the town officials, agents, committees and auditors for the year 2002. – **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 8. (Appropriation of funds for year 2003)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$913,899.02** for general municipal operations. And to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town charges for the year 2002, or to take any other action relating thereto. – **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee**

1 EXECUTIVE	\$67,573.98
2 ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	25,157.00
3 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	37,795.00
4 LEGAL	10,000.00
5 PLANNING AND ZONING	5,915.00
6 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	20,000.00
7 CEMETERIES	12,000.00
8 INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED	9,600.00
9 CENTRAL NH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION	1,822.00
10 POLICE DEPARTMENT	156,726.00
11 FIRE DEPARTMENT	54,064.00
12 CODE ENFORCEMENT	3,000.00
13 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT /DISPATCH	5,200.00
14 ROAD MAINTENANCE	303,819.00
15 STREET LIGHTING	2,500.00
16 SANITATION	118,950.96
17 HEALTH	16,860.16
18 WELFARE	10,000.00
19 CULTURE AND RECREATION	19,486.92
20 CONSERVATION COMMISSION	2,195.00
21 INTEREST ON TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES	3,100.00
22 CAPITAL OUTLAY	28,134.00
TOTAL	\$913,899.02

ARTICLE 9. (Crushed gravel/road reconstruction)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums:

1. Crushed Gravel \$19,500.00
2. Road Reconstruction \$91,000.00

Or to take any other action relating thereto. – **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Highway Dept.**

ARTICLE 10. (Calcium chloride)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) for the purpose of purchasing calcium chloride for the purpose of reducing road dust on dirt roads. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Highway Dept.**

ARTICLE 11. (New grader)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five-year lease/purchase agreement to obtain a new grader for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the first years' payment of \$35,544.07 due in 2003. Cost of the grader to be \$177,720.35 to be paid in five yearly installments. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Highway Dept.**

ARTICLE 12. (Land purchase for Town gravel pit)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the purchase of property located on Hedgehog Mountain Road, tax map/lot 8/642, for the purpose of a Town Gravel Pit. This is a Special Warrant Article, per RSA 32:3(VI), reflecting an appropriation that will not lapse until the monies are expended, on December 31, 2004, whichever is the earliest. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Highway Dept.**

ARTICLE 13. (Master plan)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a two-year contract with Central NH Regional Planning Commission for the purpose of updating the Town of Deering's Master Plan, and to raise and appropriate the first years payment of \$7,500.00 due in 2003. Cost of the Master Plan update to be \$15,000.00 to be paid in 2 yearly installments of \$7,500.00 each. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Planning Board**

ARTICLE 14. (Gov. Bldg. Improvement Expendable Trust Fund Acct.)

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund under provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Government Building Improvement Expendable Trust, for the purpose of providing funds for improvements and renovations to the Town Hall and to appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed into this fund, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Building Advisory Committee**

ARTICLE 15. (Exotic Weed Control Program Expendable Trust Fund Acct.)

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund to be known as the Exotic Weed Control Expendable Trust under provisions of RSA 31:19-a, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) to be placed into this fund, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The purpose of this fund is to pay the costs of monitoring the public boat launch area at the south end of Deering Reservoir (Deering Lake) during selected, primarily weekend hours, during the summer, in order to make users of the boat launch and the General Public aware of the threat of milfoil and other nuisance exotic aquatic weeds carried by boats from nearby infested lakes, and to inspect boats for evidence of such weeds. – **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Conservation Commission**

ARTICLE 16. (Building Advisory Committee project)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to support the Building Committee's efforts for the coming year. The appropriation will be used to pay for architectural consultations and for drawings to accompany various options for creating adequate space for Town and Police offices and for developing a maintenance plan for the Town Hall improvements.

- **Recommended by Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee**

ARTICLE 17. (Forester)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600) for the purpose of contracting a licensed forester to assist the Town in reviewing Intent to Cut permits and follow up on Report of Cut forms.

- **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 18. (Code enforcement officer)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600) for the purpose of contracting a Code Enforcement Officer to assist the Town in enforcing the zoning and land use regulations, and/or other regulations the Town adopts. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 19. (Highway shed to accommodate grader)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$27,500) for the purpose of constructing a new shed to house the proposed grader for the Highway Department on land occupied by the Highway Department, or to take any other action relating thereto. – **Recommended by the Highway Dept., Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 20. (Bridge Improvement Fund)

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the Bridge Improvement Fund, under provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of bridge improvements and repairs, and to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed into this fund, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, Highway Dept.**

ARTICLE 21. (Computer System Fund)

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the Computer System Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of providing for the future upgrade and/or replacement requirements of the Town's computer system, and to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. - **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee**

ARTICLE 22. (Vehicle Replacement Fund)

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the Vehicle Replacement Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of providing for the future vehicle replacement requirements for Deering Police, Fire, or Highway Departments, and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

- **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee**

ARTICLE 23. (Authority granting BOS to set/amend fees and licenses)

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in RSA 41:9-a. Such a vote shall continue in effect until rescinded.

- **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 24. (Vehicle Replacement for Fire Department)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of purchasing a replacement vehicle for the 1964 pumper at McAlister Station. - **Recommended by the Fire Department, Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 25. (Support of LCHIP)

To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of new Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

- **Petitioned by the Citizens for NH Land & Community Heritage, Board of Selectmen**

ARTICLE 26. (New Hampshire for Healthcare)

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved that we, the citizens of DEERING, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, uninsured and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;

Everyone, including employer, consumer, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;

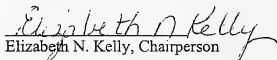
Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and that their efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

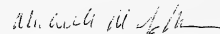
- Petitioned by the Citizens for healthcare, Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 27. (Other Business)

To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this meeting.

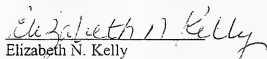
Given under our hands and seals, this 3rd day of March, in year 2003.



Elizabeth N. Kelly, Chairperson


Michelle M. Johnson

Peter R. Williams

A TRUE COPY ATTESTED:


Elizabeth N. Kelly


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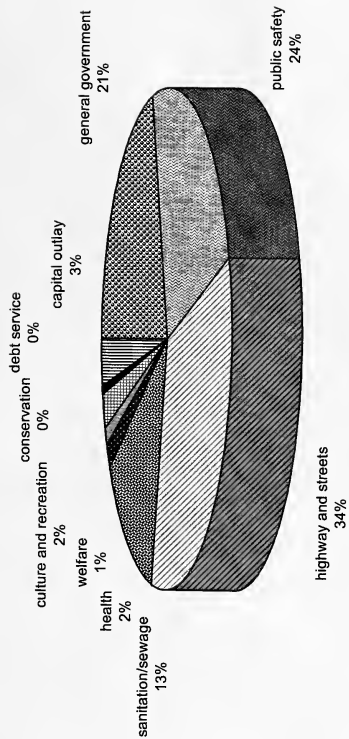
BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF DEERING, NH
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

DEPARTMENT		2002 APPROVED BUDGET	2003 RECOMMENDED BUDGET	DECREASE (INCREASE) \$	%
4100.0	GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
4130.0	Executive	\$63,468.00	\$67,573.98	(4,105.98)	6%
4130.1	Board of Selectmen	24,945.00	27,468.18	(2,523.18)	10%
4130.2	Town Administration	36,685.00	39,365.80	(2,680.80)	7%
4130.3	Town Meeting	1,838.00	740.00	1,098.00	-60%
4140.0	Election and Registration	24,257.00	25,157.00	(900.00)	3%
4140.1	Town Clerk	23,553.00	24,445.00	(892.00)	4%
4140.2	Voter Registration	704.00	445.00	259.00	-37%
4140.3	Election Officials	265.00	267.00	(2.00)	1%
4150.0	Financial Administration	40,025.00	37,795.00	2,230.00	-6%
4150.2	Auditors	7,500.00	8,500.00	(1,000.00)	13%
4150.3	Assessing	11,300.00	7,700.00	3,600.00	-32%
4150.4	Tax Collection	16,300.00	16,845.00	(545.00)	3%
4150.5	Treasury	1,825.00	1,750.00	75.00	-4%
4150.6	Data Processing	3,100.00	3,000.00	100.00	-3%
4153.0	Legal Expenses	8,000.00	10,000.00	(2,000.00)	25%
4191.0	Planning and Zoning	6,921.00	5,915.00	1,006.00	-15%
4191.1	Planning Board	4,700.00	2,730.00	1,970.00	-42%
4191.3	Zoning Board	2,221.00	3,185.00	(964.00)	43%
4194.0	General Government Bldg.	17,970.00	20,000.00	(2,030.00)	11%
4195.0	Cemeteries	8,500.00	12,000.00	(3,500.00)	41%
4196.0	Insurances	13,462.00	9,600.00	3,862.00	-29%
4197.0	Advertising – CNHRPC	1,781.00	1,822.00	(41.00)	2%
	TOTALS	\$184,649.00	\$189,862.98	(5,213.98)	3%
4200.0	PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210.1	Police Department	149,954.00	156,726.00	(6,772.00)	5%
4220.1	Fire Department	50,968.00	54,064.00	(3,096.00)	6%
4240.0	Code Enforcement	2,148.00	3,000.00	(852.00)	40%
4290.0	Emergency/Dispatch	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00	0%
	TOTALS	\$208,270.00	\$218,990.00	(10,720.00)	5%
4310.0	HIGHWAY AND STREETS				
4312.1	Road Maintenance	284,012.00	303,819.00	(19,807.00)	7%
4316.0	Street Lighting	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0%
	TOTALS	\$286,512.00	\$306,319.00	(19,807.00)	7%

BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF DEERING, NH
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS

	DEPARTMENT	2002 APPROVED BUDGET	2003 RECOMMENDED BUDGET	DECREASE (INCREASE) \$	%
4320.0	SANITATION/SEWAGE	\$126,837.00	\$118,950.96	7,886.04	-6%
4411.0	HEALTH	15,536.00	16,860.16	(1,324.16)	9%
4442.0	WELFARE	10,100.00	10,000.00	100.00	-1%
4500.0	CULTURE AND RECREATION	13,823.00	19,486.92	(5,663.92)	41%
4600.0	CONSERVATION	2,195.00	2,195.00	0.00	0%
4700.0	DEBT SERVICE	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00	0%
4800.0	WARRANT ARTICLES	167,560.00	294,244.07	(126,684.07)	76%
4902.0	CAPITAL OUTLAY	180,427.00	28,134.00	152,293.00	-84%
	TOTALS	\$1,199,009.00	\$1,208,143.09	(9,134.09)	1%

TOWN OF DEERING, NH
2003 PROPOSED BUDGET BREAKDOWN



**2002
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**FINANCIAL REPORTS
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**STATE OF REVENUES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

		FY-2002 BUDGETED	FY-2002 ACTUAL	FY-2003 ESTIMATED
TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Penalty & Gravel	6,000.00	8,838.15	9,000.00
3185	Timber Yield Tax	16,000.00	30,747.78	18,000.00
3190	Interest & Penalties On Taxes	40,000.00	33,258.17	40,000.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	500.00	784.00	500.00
3220.10	Motor Vehicle Tax	200,000.00	227,783.25	211,000.00
3230.10	Building Permits	1,400.00	1,815.00	2,000.00
3230.60	Town Hall Rental Income	250.00	435.00	350.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	2,500.00	3,744.00	3,000.00
REVENUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
3351.10	Shared Revenue	65,000.00	76,828.80	70,000.00,
3353.10	Highway Block Grant	85,000.00	93,396.71	78,997.94
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401 - 3404	Income From Departments	14,000.00	5,408.20	5,000.00
REVENUES – MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES				
3502.10	Interest On Investments	7,000.00	4,333.61	4,000.00
3504 - 3509	Other Misc. Revenue	17,000.00	15,975.60	14,000.00
3916.10	Transfers From Trust Funds	4,000.00	3,241.92	4,000.00
4404.10	Tipping Fees – Revenue	5,000.00	4,891.72	5,000.00
SUB-TOTAL		463,650.00	511,481.91	464,847.94
SURPLUS	Used to reduce taxes	50,000.00	76,811.00	50,000.00
TOTAL				
REVENUES		513,650.00	588,292.91	514,847.94

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT	2002 APPROPRIATED	2002 EXPENDED	UNDER (OVER) \$	%
4100.0 GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
4130.0 Executive	\$63,468.00	\$60,281.71	\$3,186.29	-5%
4130.1 Board of Selectmen	24,945.00	22,674.87	2,270.13	-9%
4130.2 Town Administration	36,685.00	36,943.23	(258.23)	1%
4130.3 Town Meeting	1,838.00	663.61	1,174.84	-64%
4140.0 Election and Registration	24,522.00	24,676.77	154.77	0%
4140.1 Town Clerk	23,553.00	23,522.89	30.11	0%
4140.2 Voter Registration	704.00	686.65	17.35	-2%
4140.3 Election Officials	265.00	467.23	(202.23)	76%
4150.0 Financial Administration	40,025.00	45,720.86	(5,695.86)	14%
4150.2 Auditors	7,500.00	8,977.70	(1,477.70)	20%
4150.3 Assessing	11,300.00	16,700.00	(5,400.00)	48%
4150.4 Tax Collection	16,300.00	15,330.41	969.59	-6%
4150.5 Treasury	1,825.00	1,712.75	112.25	-6%
4150.6 Data Processing	3,100.00	3,000.00	100.00	-3%
4153.0 Legal Expenses	8,000.00	9,478.13	(1,478.13)	18%
4191.0 Planning and Zoning	6,921.00	8,164.75	(1,243.75)	18%
4191.1 Planning Board	4,700.00	4,257.60	442.40	-9%
4191.3 Zoning Board	2,221.00	3,907.15	(1,686.15)	76%
4194.0 General Government Bldg.	17,970.00	15,496.53	2,473.47	-14%
4195.0 Cemeteries	8,500.00	6,701.58	1,798.42	-21%
4196.0 Insurances	13,462.00	8,296.73	5,165.27	-38%
4197.0 Advertising – CNHRPC	1,781.00	1,781.10	(0.10)	0%
TOTALS	\$184,649.00	\$180,598.06	4,050.94	-2%
4200.0 PUBLIC SAFETY				
4210.1 Police Department	149,954.00	128,825.71	21,128.29	-14%
4220.1 Fire Department	50,968.00	59,211.96	(8,243.96)	16%
4240.0 Code Enforcement	2,148.00	1,926.94	221.06	-10%
4290.0 Emergency/Dispatch	5,200.00	4,016.00	1,184.00	-23%
TOTALS	\$208,270.00	\$193,980.61	14,289.39	-7%
4310.0 HIGHWAY AND STREETS				
4312.1 Road Maintenance	284,012.00	328,362.18	(44,350.18)	16%
4316.0 Street Lighting	2,500.00	2,327.43	172.57	-7%
TOTALS	\$286,512.00	\$330,689.61	(44,177.61)	15%

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT		2002 APPROPRIATED	2002 EXPENDED	UNDER (OVER) \$	%
4320.0	SANITATION/SEWAGE	126,837.00	110,276.87	16,560.13	-13%
4411.0	HEALTH	15,536.00	15,356.29	179.71	-1%
4442.0	WELFARE	10,100.00	10,842.66	(742.66)	7%
4500.0	CULTURE AND RECREATION	13,823.00	18,883.33	(5,060.33)	37%
4600.0	CONSERVATION	2,195.00	1,986.82	208.18	-9%
4700.0	DEBT SERVICE	3,100.00	0.00	3,100.00	-100%
4800.0	WARRANT ARTICLES	167,560.00	164,463.31	(3,096.69)	-2%
4902.0	CAPITAL OUTLAY	180,427.00	175,801.37	4,625.63	-3%
	TOTALS	\$1,199,009.00	\$1,202,878.93	(3,869.93)	0%

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4130</u>	<u>EXECUTIVE</u>	\$63,468.00	
	SELECTMEN PAYROLL		4,125.00
	SELECTMEN FICA		321.47
	SELECTMEN M/C		75.21
	MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS		2,500.00
	PRINTING		1,195.40
	DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS		1,149.07
	CONTRACTS		5,588.40
	SUPPLIES		1,562.87
	POSTAGE		1,645.82
	BANK FEES		14.25
	BOOKS		27.45
	REGISTRY FEES		436.78
	CD ROM AGREEMENT-REGISTRY		325.00
	OTHER		2,545.26
	SECRETARY CONFERENCE/MILEAGE		416.73
	EQUIPMENT		746.16
	SECRETARY PAYROLL		21,511.59
	SECRETARY PART-TIME		1,985.50
	SECRETARY HEALTH INSURANCE		10,938.06
	SECRETARY FICA		1,519.27
	SECRETARY M/C		355.38
	SECRETARY RETIREMENT		633.43
	BALLOT CLERKS PAYROLL		166.38
	MODERATOR PAYROLL		150.00
	MODERATOR & BALLOT CLERK FICA		46.30
	MODERATOR & BALLOT CLERK M/C		10.83
	TOWN ELECTIONS SUPPLIES		290.10
	TOTAL		\$60281.71
<u>4140</u>	<u>TOWN CLERK /ELECTION/REGISTRATION</u>	\$24,522.00	
	TOWN CLERK PART-TIME PARYOLL		4,181.04
	TOWN CLERK – SALARY		2,600.00
	TOWN CLERK FEES		11,264.00
	TOWN CLERK FICA		1,118.83
	TOWN CLERK M/C		261.71
	TOWN CLERK TELEPHONE		356.21
	TOWN CLERK DUES		20.00
	TOWN CLERK CONTRACTS		892.80
	TOWN CLERK SUPPLIES		496.95
	TOWN CLERK POSTAGE		554.33
	TOWN CLERK BOOKS		81.00

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4140</u>		
TOWN CLERK DOG FEES TO STATE		762.50
TOWN CLERK FEES TO STATE		847.00
TOWN CLERK CONFERENCES/MILEAGE		86.55
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST PAYROLL		552.75
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST FICA		34.27
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST M/C		8.02
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST ADS		84.00
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST SUPPLIES		0.00
SUPERVISOR CHECKLIST POSTAGE		7.61
ELECTION OFFICIALS PAYROLL P/T		0.00
ELECTION OFFICIALS FICA		0.00
ELECTION OFFICIALS M/C		0.00
ELECTION OFFICIALS SUPPLIES		467.23
TOTAL		\$24,676.77
 <u>4150</u>	 \$40,025.33	
<u>FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
AUDITOR SERVICES		6,040.00
AUDITORS SERVICES FICA		111.60
AUDITORS SERVICES M/C		26.10
AUDIT TRUST FUNDS		2,800.00
AUDITOR EXPENSES		0.00
ASSESSING		16,680.00
ASSESSING/DUES		20.00
ASSESSING POSTAGE		0.00
TAX COLLECTOR PART-TIME PAYROL		4,283.96
TAX COLLECTOR PAYROLL		2,600.00
TAX COLLECTOR REIMB FEES		4,696.00
TAX COLLECTOR FICA		717.88
TAX COLLECTOR M/C		167.80
TAX COLLECTOR TELEPHONE		356.18
TAX COLLECTOR BMSI		356.00
TAX COLLECTOR MAINT. & REPAIR		0.00
TAX COLLECTOR PRINTING		0.00
TAX COLLECTOR DUES		50.00
TAX COLLECTOR CONTRACTS		392.00
TAX COLLECTOR SUPPLIES		0.00
TAX COLLECTOR POSTAGE		1,700.73
TAX COLLECTOR FEES/REGISTER		320.91
TAX COLLECTOR CONFERENCES		44.95

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT		APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4150</u>	TREASURER SALARY PAYROLL		1,500.00
	TREASURER FICA		93.00
	TREASURER M/C		21.76
	TREASURER SUPPLIES		97.99
	SOFTWARE UPGRADES		0.00
	COMPUTER SUPPORT CONTRACT		3,000.00
	TOTAL		\$45,720.86
<u>4153</u>	<u>LEGAL EXPENSES</u>	\$8,000.00	
	TOTAL		9,478.13
<u>4191</u>	<u>PLANNING</u>	\$4,700.00	
	PART-TIME P/R		395.00
	FICA		24.49
	M/C		5.73
	WORKSHOPS		72.00
	ADVERTISING		390.75
	EXPENSES/SUPPLIES		6.75
	POSTAGE		309.86
	LEGAL		350.00
	MASTER PLAN SURVEY		2,703.02
	TOTAL		\$4,257.60
<u>4191</u>	<u>ZONING</u>	\$2,221.00	
	PART-TIME P/R		617.00
	FICA		38.25
	M/C		8.94
	ZBA TRAINING WORKSHOPS		0.00
	ADVERTISING		508.00
	PUBLICATIONS		66.75
	SUPPLIES/COPYING		30.75
	MISCELLANEOUS		78.00
	POSTAGE		765.33
	LEGAL		1,871.87
	TOTAL		\$3907.15

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4194</u>	<u>GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS</u>	\$17,970.00	
	CUSTODIAN PAYROLL		3,120.00
	CUSTODIAN FICA		0.00
	CUSTODIAN M/C		0.00
	TELEPHONE		1,507.19
	ELECTRICITY		2,500.65
	HEAT & OIL		2,093.92
	MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS		5,139.74
	SUPPLIES		400.03
	LAWN CARE		735.00
	TOTAL		\$15,496.53
<u>4195</u>	<u>CEMETERIES</u>	\$8,500.00	
	CEMETERIES		6,328.12
	CEMETERIES FICA		302.66
	CEMETERIES M/C		70.80
	TOTAL		\$6,701.58
<u>4196</u>	<u>INSURANCE</u>	\$13,462.00	
	PROPERTY & LIABILITY		2,956.70
	WC/UNEMPLOYMENT/LIFE		4,870.99
	RETIREMENT HEALTH-REIMBURSED		0.00
	LIFE INSURANCE		469.04
	TOTAL		\$8,296.73
<u>4197</u>	<u>ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL</u>	\$1,781.00	
	CENTRAL NH REG PLANNING COMM		\$1,781.00
<u>4210</u>	<u>POLICE</u>	\$149,954.00	
	FULL TIME PAYROLL		57,657.63
	PART-TIME PAYROLL		6,506.50
	OVERTIME		1,695.15
	HEALTH INSURANCE		15,058.99
	FICA		435.11
	M/C		990.72
	DETAIL REIMBURSE-TOWNS		1,834.00
	RETIREMENT		2,628.62
	TRAINING		664.97
	WITNESS REIMBURSEMENT		30.00
	TELEPHONE		3,350.34
	ANIMAL CONTROL		500.00

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4210</u> RADIO/RADAR		799.30
PRE EMPLOYMENT EVALUATIONS		937.48
LIABILITY INSURANCE		3,523.56
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS		666.00
CONTRACTS		17,696.66
SUPPLIES		806.14
OFFICE EXPENSES		1,559.72
POSTAGE		57.62
VEHICLE FUEL		2,338.13
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE		5,197.44
AMMUNITION		1,227.98
UNIFORMS		2,708.65
TOTAL		<u>\$128,825.71</u>
 <u>4220</u> <u>FIRE</u>	 \$50,968.00	
PART-TIME P/R		15,977.00
FICA		990.59
M/C		231.66
TRAINING		1,478.78
TELEPHONE		1,722.84
MEDICAL		85.50
UTILITIES		5,886.94
BUILDING MAINTENANCE		482.77
LIABILITY INSURANCE		1,129.38
SUPPLIES FR PV		0.00
COMMUNICATIONS		2,311.92
GAS		385.71
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		20,517.34
MISCELLANEOUS		478.76
EQUIPMENT		1,976.97
FORESTY		2,055.80
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		0.00
FD INTERCEPTS		3,500.00
TOTAL		<u>\$59,211.96</u>
 <u>4240</u> <u>BUILDING INSPECTOR</u>	 \$2,148.00	
P/T PAYROLL		1,790.00
FICA		110.98
M/C		25.96
TOTAL		<u>\$1,926.94</u>

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
4290	<u>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</u>	\$200.00	
	TOTAL		0.00
4299	<u>HILLSBOROUGH DISPATCH</u>	\$5,000.00	
	TOTAL		\$4,016.00
4312	<u>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</u>	\$284,012.00	
	PAYROLL		116,267.16
	PART-TIME PAYROLL		2,185.63
	OVERTIME		17,525.81
	HEALTH INSURANCE		33,932.99
	FICA		8,584.42
	M/C		2,007.63
	RETIREMENT		2,983.38
	TELEPHONE		590.75
	DRUG TESTING		154.50
	ELECTRICITY		1,300.59
	HEAT		1,962.48
	BUILDING REPAIRS		195.15
	RADIO REPAIR		1,056.00
	LEASE/RENTALS		2,945.00
	LIABILITY INSURANCE		2087.58
	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS		45.00
	CONTRACTS		0.00
	SUPPLIES GENERAL		14,413.97
	ICE CONTROL		27,073.95
	HOT AND COLD PATCH		920.60
	CULVERTS		1,500.00
	OFFICE SUPPLIES		0.00
	POSTAGE		0.00
	FUEL		17,057.70
	CUSTODIAL		61.51
	VEHICLE REPAIRS		33,469.62
	TIRES		5,667.21
	WORKSHOPS/MILEAGE		80.00
	UNIFORMS		2,062.64
	TRANSFERS/OTHER		0.00
	TOTAL		\$328,362.18

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>4316.3 STREET LIGHTING</u>	\$2,500.00	
TOTAL		\$2,327.43
<u>4321 SANITATION</u>	\$126,837.00	
TIPPING FEES		15,429.80
TRASH PICKUP		0.00
DUES		0.00
HILLSBOROUGH TRANSFER STATION		87,965.85
SEPTIC DISPOSAL SERVICES		5,405.00
SEWAGE DISPOSAL – RENTAL		1,476.22
TOTAL		\$110,276.87
<u>4411 HEALTH</u>	\$15,526.00	
HEALTH DEPARTMENT EXPENSES		0.00
HILLSBOROUGH YOUTH SERVICES		13,041.29
PROJECT LIFT		350.00
CONTOOCOOK VALLEY COUNSELING		1,120.00
ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY SERVICES		845.00
TOTAL		\$15,356.29
<u>4442 WELFARE</u>	\$10,100.00	
GENERAL ASSISTANCE		4,286.80
MEDICINE		153.96
RENT		8418.36
ELECTRICITY		1,202.75
HEAT		388.80
FOOD		221.99
DUES NH LOCAL WEL. ADM. ASSOC.		30.00
TOTAL		\$10,842.66
<u>4520 CULTURE & RECREATION</u>	\$13,823.0	0
HILLSBOROUGH PARK BOARD		18,633.33
LIBRARY APPROPRIATION		250.00
TOTAL		\$18,883.83

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
4611	<u>CONSERVATION</u>	\$2,195.00	
	P/T P/R		482.00
	FICA		26.78
	M/C		6.26
	NOMINATED RIVERS		0.00
	DEERING LAKE TESTING		200.00
	DEERING LAKE RECREATION AREA		
	MEMBER/DUES		505.00
	NHACC ANNUAL MEETING		
	ROAD/TRAILS		42.50
	REGULATION BOOKS		43.23
	SUPPLIES/PHOTOCOPY		51.53
	MISC		132.69
	POSTAGE		271.83
	MAPS, RESOURCES, FILES		66.00
	CAMP/TI		225.00
	CONSERVATION CARRY OVER ACCOUNT		00.00
	TOTAL		\$1,986.82
4721	<u>INTEREST ON TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</u>	\$3,100.00	
	TOTAL		00.00
	<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>	\$180,427.00	
	BACKHOE		27,145.86
	LEASE APP. ART. 5-98 FD PUMPER		41,666.68
	FULL REVALUATION		28,134.00
	POLICE CRUISER		21,870.99
	BUILDING COMMITTEE		2,500.00
	TAX MAP APPR. ART.8-99 (3YRS)		16,056.25
	CALCIUM CHOLRIDE		8,713.00
	DEPOSIT FOR LAND		10,000.00
	HGWY TRUCK ART. 7-99 (3YRS)		19,714.59
	TOTAL		\$175,801.37

**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

DEPARTMENT	APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
<u>WARRANT ARTICLES</u>	\$167,560.00	
AMBULANCE PAYOFF		62,590.77
CRUSHED GRAVEL ART. 7-99		18,734.15
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION ART 7-99		81,933.35
EXOTIC WEED CONTROL		1,205.04
TOTAL		<u>\$164,463.31</u>

PLODZIK & SANDERSON

193 NORTH MAIN STREET, CONCORD NH

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Deering as of and for the year ended December 31, 2001 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Deering has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Deering as of December 31, 2001, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Deering taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Deering. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

March 15, 2002

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Deering for the year ended December 31, 2001, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. However, we did make the following observations, which may be of interest to you.

GENERAL BOOKS OF ACCOUNT

Observation/Recommendations

Improvement continues to be made with the General Fund record keeping. However, there are still areas to be improved upon as follows :

1. It is important to reconcile the general ledger cash control account with the monthly Treasurer's report every month and correct any errors which occur.
2. As of the start of the audit, February 19, 2002, no Selectmen's receipts had been deposited since the first of the year. The Town is not earning any interest on funds locked in a metal box.
3. Wages paid, along with related Federal withholding tax forms and year-end W-2 forms, should all be in agreement with the gross wages and deductions emanating from the general ledger system.

TRUST FUND RECORDS

Observation/ Recommendation

New Trustees of Trust Funds have expended a considerable amount of time in the preparation of the annual reports (MS-9 and MS-10) that are required by the State of New Hampshire and used by the auditors for the annual financial audit. We have made available to them our corrected audit figures for cash and investments at year-end, along with our willingness to assist them with any further adjustments required to balance the reports with invested funds on hand.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

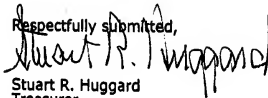
March 15, 2002

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Having taken on the position as Treasurer with more than a little of the "What have I gotten myself into?" attitude, I dived right into the piles of papers that were handed over to me in March and set up the treasurer's books in QuickBooks in my computer at the town offices. It took a great deal of time and more than a few sleepless hours to get things set up, but once the books balanced with the bank statement for January, it was a piece of cake. As a retired person, I found it very advantageous to be able to be at the town offices to meet regularly with Hazel, Nancy, and Robin. At the end of every month we were able to check our accounts, and if there were any mistakes fix them immediately.

In November, the usual crunch time came, and we were looking at the possibility of needing a Tax Anticipation Note. Because of a few fortunate circumstances we were able to avoid that particular expense for the first time in years. We had a sum of money come in from a sale of property that we kept in a CD. We were able to borrow from ourselves to tide us over and avoid a loan. This really took the cooperation of everyone involved including some town residents who knew how tight it was and offered to pay their taxes in November as soon as the bills came out. We also learned from this how important it is, and how fiscally responsible, to have some funds in reserve, something the Town of Deering has never done, but something we are hoping to accomplish for 2003 and ensuing years.

It has been a pleasure working with all the people at the town offices, especially Hazel with whom I have worked the closest. I have been fortunate to receive my "training" from one so meticulous. She will be missed, but I have her phone number.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart R. Huggard
Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAMES	YTD
	Rev. from Lic., Permits, & Fees	
01-3230.10-000-00	Building Permits	1,815.00
01-3210.10-000-00	Business Licenses	50.00
01-3401.10-000-00	Court Fines	495.00
01-3290.10-000-00	Dog	2,810.00
01-3210.40-000-00	Filing Fees	4.00
01-3290.30-000-00	Marriage Licenses	630.00
01-3220.10-000-00	Motor Vehicle	227,783.25
01-3401.44-000-00	Pistol Permits	170.00
01-3509.10-000-00	Registry Fees	49.74
01-3230.60-000-00	Town Hall Rental	435.00
01-3210.45-000-00	UCC Filing Fees	680.00
01-3290.50-000-00	Vital Statistics	304.00
	TOTAL	235,225.99
	Rev. from Federal Government	
01-1010.07-000-00	Due from Federal Gov.	7,757.27
	TOTAL	7,757.27
	Rev. from Misc. Source	
01-3509.10-000-00	Copies	388.26
	Health Ins. Reimburse	984.58
01-3502.10-000-00	Interest Bk of NH	3,214.21
	Interest-CD 1 Ambulance	727.41
	Interest-CD 2 Property Sale	391.99
01-3508.10-000-00	Misc. Income	8,819.32
01-3504.10-000-00	Parking Fines	100.00
01-3401.40-000-00	Police Copies	120.00
01-3401.42-000-00	Police Details-Police	1,238.00
01-3401.43-000-00	Police Details-Town	685.00
01-3504.10-000-00	Police Tickets	52.00
	Reimbursement from Conservation Comm.	5,000.00
01-3501.10-000-00	Sale of Property	36,329.94
01-4404.10-000-00	Tipping Fees	4,891.72
01-3509.41-000-00	School Don. From Trust Funds	581.70
01-3916.10-000-00	Trans. From Trust Fund	3,241.92
01-3401.40-000-00	Witness Fee	61.70
	TOTAL	66,827.75
	Rev. from State of NH	
01-3401.10-000-00	Forest Reimbursement	383.93
01-3353.10-000-00	Highway Block Grant	93,396.71
01-3351.10-000-01	Revenue Sharing	76,828.80
	TOTAL	170,609.44

TREASURER'S REPORT

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAMES	YTD
	Revenue from Taxes	
	Gravel	99.60
01-3120.02-000-00	Land Use 2002	7,328.39
	Land Use Change Tax	1,410.16
01-3110.02-000-00	Property Tax 2002	2,358,625.99
01-3190.02-000-00	Property Tax Interest 2002	2,391.18
01-1080.01-000-00	Property Tax 2001	186,889.52
	Redemptions 2001	30,841.36
01-3190.01-000-00	Property Tax Interest 2001	7,209.49
	Redemptions Interest2001	1,895.29
01-1110.00-000-00	Redemptions 2000	24,808.92
01-3190.00-000-00	Redemptions Interest2000	3,665.95
01-1110.99-000-00	Redemptions 1999	24,876.94
01-3190.99-000-00	Redemptions Interest1999	8,218.84
01-3190.01-000-00	Redemptions 1998	6,335.07
01-3190.98-000-00	Redemptions Interest 1998	2,575.03
01-1110.97-000-00	Redemptions 1997	123.24
01-3190.97-000-00	Redemptions Interest 1997	33.02
	Supplemental 2002	793.05
01-3185.02-000-00	Yield Tax	30,747.78
	Yield Tax Interest	141.25
	TOTAL	2,699,010.07
	Rev. from Town Boards/Groups	
01-3401.20-000-00	Planning Board	1,742.56
01-3401.30-000-00	Zoning Board of Appeals	512.01
	TOTAL	2,254.57
	TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES	3,181,685.09
	EXPENSES AS PER SELECTMEN	2,826,224.75
	BANK FEES	54.25
	TOTAL EXPENSES	2,826,279.00
	Transfers	
	From CD-1 to checking	51,008.77
	From CD-2 to checking	40,000.00
	From checking to CD-2	40,000.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT NAMES	YTD
	Conservation Commission Accounts	INCOME
	Conservation Savings BONH	6,078.18
	Conservation Savings MIBA	180.53
	TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	6,259.71
	ACCT. BALANCE 12/31/02	
	BONH-Checking	979,843.93
	CD-1 Ambulance	0.00
	CD-2 Property Sale	40,857.97
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND BALANCE	1,020,701.90
	Opening Balance January 1, 2002	665,295.81
	Plus Total Income	3,181,685.09
	TOTAL	3,846,980.90
	Less Total Expense	2,826,279.00
		1,020,701.90
	Conservation Commission	
	Conservation Comm. Checking	1,037.02
	Conservation Comm. MIBA	12,299.27
	Net due from General Fund	3,853.28
	TOTAL	17,189.57

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE'S OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining funds left to the town for various reasons: cemetery care, flagpole fund, school fund, and other funds as specified by the donors. At the present time there are in excess of 256 funds, the great majority for perpetual care of cemetery lots. The income from these funds are turned over to the cemetery committee, through the town books for payment of labor charges for such maintenance, after the expenditure of the town appropriation. The income of the trust funds only covers about one half of the cost of the care.

There is only one fund that the trustees have any jurisdiction as to the use of the income, that being the Hannah J. Wallace Gove and the Elizabeth P. Gove Fund, created in 1918. This fund has been allowed to build up so that a project can be selected for partial funding. The trustees decided to give \$4,000.00 towards the painting of the Town Hall, a most worthwhile project.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Copadis. Chair
Marie Rivera
Donald Johnson

Name of Trust	Beginning Balance	Income	Expended	End of Year	Total Principal & Income
Common Trust Funds: Various	\$ 8,000.61	\$ 3,442.28	\$ 4,027.94	\$ 7,414.95	\$ 95,461.95
Other Funds: Wolf Family Cemetery	1,252.92	144.03		1,396.95	2,396.95
Town Celebration Account	2,106.53	36.46		2,142.99	2,942.99
Deering Cemetery Maintenance	14,575.12	3,702.88	3,188.90	15,089.10	15,089.10
GRAND TOTALS	\$11,360.06	\$ 7,325.65	\$ 7,216.84	\$26,043.99	\$115,890.99

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE'S OF THE TRUST FUNDS

RECEIPTS

Balance of Income in Banks 1/1/02 \$ 25,935.18

INCOME 2001 (COMMON TRUST FUND)

Principal Account - CD	\$ 3,161.89	
Principal Savings Account No.1932	14.93	
Account No.93014	<u>265.46</u>	
Total		3,442.28

INCOME 2001 (NON-COMMON TRUST)

Wolf Account	\$ 144.03	
Deering Celebration Account	36.46	
Transfer from Common Trust	3,390.31	
Sale of lots	300.00	
Checking Account Interest	<u>12.57</u>	
Total		<u>3,883.37</u>

GRAND TOTAL \$ 33,260.83

EXPENDITURES

COMMON TRUST FUND

Ellis Fund –Flowers	\$ 55.93	
Transfer to Cemetery Maintenance Fund	3,390.31	
Town of Deering –School Fund	<u>581.70</u>	
Total		\$ 4,027.94

NON-COMMON TRUST

Town of Deering –Supplies	\$ 162.44	
Town of Deering-Misc.	2.71	
Town of Deering-Payroll	<u>3023.75</u>	
Total		\$ 3,188.90

BALANCE OF INCOME IN BANKS

Wolf Account	\$ 1,396.95	
Deering Celebration Account	2,142.99	
Common Fund Savings Account	7,414.95	
Cemetery Maintenance Savings Account	11,087.30	
Checking Account	<u>4,001.80</u>	
Total		<u>\$ 26,043.99</u>

GRAND TOTAL \$ 33,260.83

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
REPORT OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES**

LEVIES OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES -	<u>2002</u>	<u>PRIOR</u>
Beginning the fiscal year :		
Property Taxes		\$276,862.55
Land Use Change		
Yield Taxes		5,158.90
TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:		
Property Taxes	\$2,650,385.56	793.05
Land Use Change	10,824.88	
Yield Taxes	28,429.72	
Excavation Tax	99.60	
OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	4,328.92	34.27
INTEREST COLLECTED ON DELINQUENT TAXES:		
	2,391.18	14,481.46
TOTAL DEBTS	<u>\$2,696,459.86</u>	<u>\$297,330.23</u>
CREDITS		
REMITTED TO TREASURER:		
Property Taxes	\$2,358,625.99	\$186,889.52
Land Use Change	8,738.55	
Yield Taxes	25,588.88	5,158.90
Interest	2,391.18	14,481.46
Excavation Tax	99.60	
Conversion to Lien		89,214.25
Supplemental		793.05
ABATEMENTS ALLOWED:		
Property Taxes	\$2,588.18	
Yield Taxes	160.71	
Land Use Change Tax	2,060.12	
Supplemental		793.05
UNCOLLECTED TAXES -		
End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$292,887.95	
Land Use Change	26.21	
Yield Taxes	2,680.13	
Other Charges – Bad Checks	612.36	
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$2,696,459.86</u>	<u>\$297,330.23</u>

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
REPORT OF UNREDEEMED TAXES**

DEBITS

	<u>2002</u>	<u>PRIOR</u>
Unredeemed Liens at Beginning of Year		\$113,825.50
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$96,344.97	
Interest/Cost Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	\$5,602.54	\$14,492.84
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$101,947.51	\$128,318.34

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Redemptions	\$30,841.36	\$56,144.17
Interest/Costs After Sale	5,602.54	14,492.84
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	125.34	
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	65,378.27	57,681.33
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$101,947.51	\$128,318.34

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN PORTION

Total Town Appropriation	\$1,199,010.00
Less: Revenues	519,385.00
Less: Fund Balance Used	76,811.00
Net Town	<u>602,814.00</u>

Less: Shared Revenues	9,519.00
Add: Overlay	24,802.00
Add: War Service Center	14,900.00
Approved Town Tax Effort	<u>\$632,997.00</u>

SCHOOL PORTION

Regional School Assessment	\$2,985,412.00
Less: Adequate Education Grant	1,088,403.00
Less: State Education Tax	509,566.00
Approved School Tax Effort	<u>\$1,387,443.00</u>

COUNTY PORTION

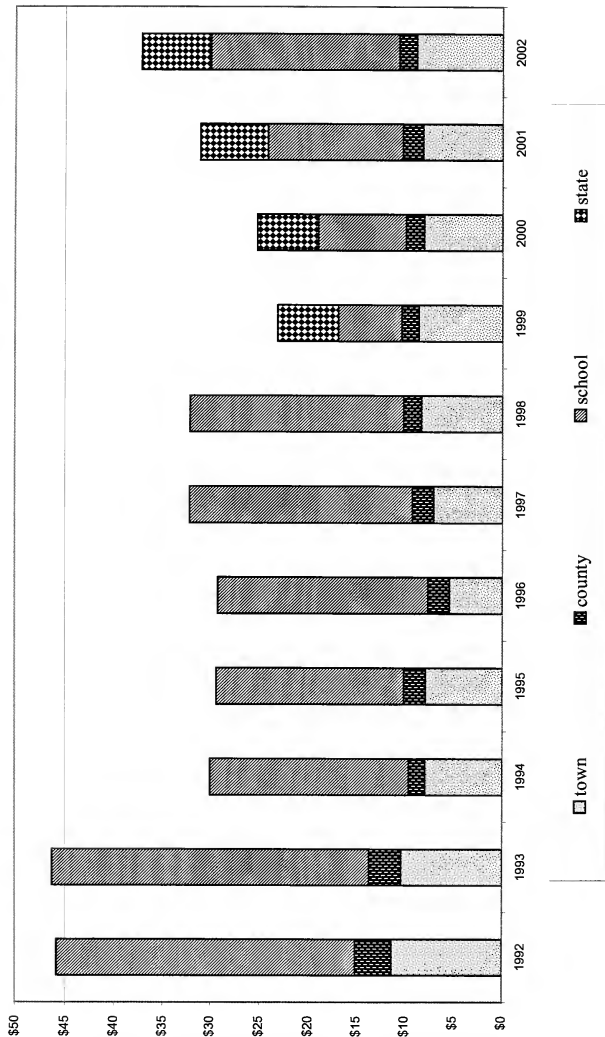
Due to County	\$135,181.00
Less: Shared Revenues to Town	2,104.00
Approved County Tax Effort	<u>\$133,077.00</u>

Total Property Tax Assessed	\$2,663,083.00
Less: War Credits	14,900.00
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	<u>\$2,648,183.00</u>

**TEN YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON
1992 - 2002**

	SCHOOL RATE	%OF TOTAL RATE	STATE SCHOOLS RATE	% OF TOTAL RATE	TOWN RATE	% OF TOTAL RATE	COUNTY RATE	% OF TOTAL RATE	TOTAL RATE
1992	\$30.67	67%	\$		\$11.38	25%	\$3.77	8%	\$45.82
1993	32.55	70%			10.36	22%	3.34	7%	46.25
1994	20.36	68%			7.90	26%	1.73	6%	29.99
1995	19.25	66%			7.85	27%	2.27	8%	29.37
1996	21.59	77%			5.40	19%	2.22	8%	28.11
1997	22.90	71%			7.04	22%	2.23	7%	32.17
1998	21.93	68%			8.30	26%	1.89	6%	32.12
1999	6.56	28%	6.21	27%	8.60	37%	1.76	8%	23.13
2000	9.08	36%	6.19	25%	8.04	32%	1.91	8%	25.22
2001	13.87	45%	6.95	22%	8.16	26%	2.12	7%	31.10
2002	19.32	52%	7.25	19%	8.82	24%	1.85	5%	37.24

TEN YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON 1992 - 2002



SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

TOWN HALL

Lands, Buildings	\$118,600.00
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Furniture, Equipment	75,000.00
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LIBRARY

Building	7,500.00
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Furniture, Equipment	10,500.00
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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Land, Buildings	55,400.00
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Equipment	393,000.00
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Materials, Supplies	4,950.00
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Land, Buildings	186,500.00
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Equipment	483,000.00
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Equipment	23,830.00
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PARKS AND COMMONS	26,300.00
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LAND ACQUIRED THROUGH DEED	<u>0.00</u>
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TOTAL	\$1,384,580.00
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NET TAXABLE VALUATION

VALUE OF ALL LANDS:	#ACRES	VALUATION	
Current Use Land	14,822.90	\$1,043,623.00	
Other Land	3,942.38	<u>\$24,959,740.00</u>	\$26,003,363.00
Buildings		\$41,426,850.00	
Manufactured Housing		\$ 2,808,000.00	
Commercial		<u>\$ 590,404.00</u>	\$44,825,254.00
Public Utilities			\$1,478,948.00
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS			<u>\$72,307,565.00</u>
Blind Exemption	1	\$ 15,000.00	
Elderly Exemption	27	<u>\$ 493,300.00</u>	
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED			\$508,300.00
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED			<u>\$71,799,265.00</u>
Less Public Utilities			\$1,478,948.00
NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION IS COMPUTED			<u>\$70,320,317.00</u>

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT 2002

2001 GRANTED	2002 GRANTED	TOTAL # GRANTED	TOTAL \$ GRANTED
1@ \$15,000.00	0	6	90,000.00
0@ \$20,000.00	0	7	103,500.00
0@ \$20,000.00	0	14	299,800.00
			493,300.00

CURRENT USE REPORT 2002

	# ACRES	TOTAL
Farm Land	766.88	\$143,984.00
Forest Land	12965.35	\$868,183.00
Unproductive Land	1085.87	\$21,292.00

**GENERAL FUND BALANCE
DECEMBER 31, 2002**

UNAUDITED

ASSETS

Cash	\$1,024,001.21
Taxes Receivable (Net of Allowance)	\$ 391,653.89
Accounts Receivable	\$ 4,491.42
Due from Other Funds	<u>\$ 516.00</u>

TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,420,662.52</u>
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LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Accounts Payable	\$ 3,448.38
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	\$ 3,840.62
Due to Other Funds	\$ 4,369.28
Due to School District	\$ 1,153,399.00
Deferred Revenue	<u>\$ 14,927.68</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 1,179,984.96</u>
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FUND EQUITY

Reserve for Encumbrances	\$ 40,009.00
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>\$ 200,668.56</u>

TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 240,677.56</u>
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 1,420,662.52</u>
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**TOWN CLERK'S
2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

This office has seen many changes since I assumed office in 1984. Our office hours at that time were Wednesdays from 9-12, and the last Thursday of every month from 6-9pm.

Much of our work was accomplished at home, and any time I was home I was open to take calls.

Since that time we have made many improvements in efficiency and service. We are now completely computerized for motor vehicle registrations and dog licenses; also all of our tax work is completed on the computer.

We have increased open house to 24 hours a week, and we are certified as Municipal Agents (which means in most instances we can do complete renewals, issue license plates and take care of many things that had to be taken to Concord previously.) We now send our monthly letters for registration renewals, which can be completed by mail, or in the office.

The tax collections have increased substantially, in 1988 the Tax Warrant was 1.6 million with just over 900 bills; the warrant for 2002 was 2.6 million with 1227 bills sent. We have collected 89% of the 2002 Levy to date.

I want to express my thanks to Board of Selectmen for providing the equipment and budget need to facilitate these improvements also to the Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector for going along with all the additional work we have added to better serve our public.

Respectfully submitted,
Hazel Vogelien

2002 MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION	\$227,783.25
DOG LICENSES	2,810.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	630.00
FILING FEES	4.00
U.C.C.S	680.00
VITAL STATISTICS	304.00

\$232,211.25

**2002 RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT
DEERING, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

DATE	NAME	PLACE	FATHER	MOTHER
01/02/02	TRAMONTOZZI, JAMES ALLAN	CONCORD	TRAMONTOZZI, JAMES	TRAMONTOZZI, CATHY
02/23/02	COSTELLO, MAX THOMAS	CONCORD	COSTELLO, ANTHONY	COSTELLO, NANCY
04/05/02	SILVER, ANDERSON ELIZABETH	CONCORD	SILVER, MICHAEL	SILVER, DEBORAH
05/25/02	KLUMB, MORGAN ROSE	DEERING	KLUMB, BRIAN	HART KLUMB, SARA
07/10/02	PESCHEL, RICHARD LEE	CONCORD	PESCHEL, RICHARD	PESCHEL, KATHLEEN
07/16/02	PIKE, CARTER THOMAS	CONCORD	PIKE, KEITH	PIKE, MARYBETH
07/17/02	KELLY, PAUL MICHAEL II	CONCORD	KELLY, CRAIG	KELLY, HANNAH
07/18/02	GOULD, TROY ARTHUR	CONCORD	GOULD, THOMAS	GOULD, MELISSA
08/01/02	RAPP, AIDAN NATHANIEL	CONCORD	RAPP, CARL	RAPP, JILL
09/01/02	NETTLETON, TESSA MYA	CONCORD	NETTLETON, DION	NETTLETON, TAMMY
10/23/02	HEIKKILA, JOSHUA TIMOTHY	CONCORD	HEIKKILA, KEVIN	HEIKKILA, JANET
12/03/02	WYLE, JUSTIN TANNER	CONCORD	WYLE, STEPHEN	WYLE, KATHLEEN
12/03/02	COOMBS, OWEN RYAN	CONCORD	COOMBS, JUSTIN	COOMBS, PAULA
12/06/02	CARD, TUCKER CLAYTON	CONCORD	CARD, RICHARD	CARD, KRISTIN
12/06/02	TORTORINO, JULIA KRISZTINA	MANCHESTER	TORTORINO, ANTHONY	TORTORINO, SZILVIA

**2002 RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT
DEERING, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
02/14/02	POITRAS, MICHAEL R.	DEERING	CEBOLLERO, CANDI E.	DEERING
03/09/02	PEERY, DELBERT H. Jr.	DEERING	LEDoux, KAREN M.	DEERING
04/08/02	GRISWOLD, PAUL C.	DEERING	AKANE, HITOMI	DEERING
04/20/02	SHEEHAN, SCOTT A.	DEERING	WOOD, JEANNINE T.	DEERING
05/18/02	LEROUX, NORMAN	DEERING	DURGIN, JENNIFER	DEERING
06/01/02	ZIEGLER, WILLIAM J. Jr.	LOUDONVILLE, NY	HOWLAN, MELINDA J.	LATHAM, NY
06/08/02	WOOD, BRADLEY M.	DEERING	STEVENS, STELLA A.	DEERING
06/15/02	HOUSER, MICHAEL A.	DEERING	THORNTON, MARTI J.	DEERING
06/26/02	DUNTON, JOHN B.	DEERING	CURTIS, NEDRA K.	DUBLIN, NH
08/03/02	COLBURN, EDWARD J.	NEW BOSTON, NH	HOOPER, MARGIT H.	NEW BOSTON, NH
08/03/02	HALLIDAY, CHRISTOPHER	DOVER, NH	BLAIS, NICOLE J.	DEERING
08/24/02	BEARD, TRAVIS C.	DEERING	BELANGER, DENISE E.	DEERING
09/07/02	DACHS, DIRK P.	STUDIO CITY, CA	BURKE, JULIA C.	STUDIO CITY, CA
10/12/02	CARD, RICHARD D.	DEERING	BURGESS, KRISTIN L.	DEERING
10/19/02	BUCKLEY, PAUL P.	DEERING	WARD, TAMMY M.	DEERING
11/02/02	TREMBLAY, RICHARD E.	DEERING	COUTURE, ANNE E.	DEERING

**2002 RESIDENT DEATH REPORT
DEERING, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

DATE	NAME	PLACE	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
01/12/02	HAMMER, MARVIN E.	CONCORD	HAMMER, ALFRED	JOHNSON, MARTHA
01/13/02	POLAND, NADIA A.	DEERING	POLAND, CHARLES	FRENCH, JANIS
01/13/02	MOUL, CHRISTOPHER P.	DEERING	MOUL, EVERETT	MASSON, LINDA
02/22/02	SOUTHARD, MARIE L.	CONCORD	LAVIGNE, FRANK	CAMEL, ABBIE
03/14/02	YEAPLE, KATHLEEN C.	CONCORD	CLARE, EDWARD	CARPENTER, KATHLEEN
03/19/02	SEYMOUR, FLORENCE M.	CONCORD	TARR, BURT	HOUSTON, DOROTHY
03/19/02	OSIPOWICZ, STANLEY W.	PETERBOROUGH	OSIPOWICZ, ALEXANDER	UNKNOWN
04/24/02	CHAMPAGNE, CANDACE H.	CONCORD	CHAMPAGNE, EDMUND	PRATT, OLIVE
05/30/02	RYCKMAN, KATELYN M.	BOSTON, MA	RYCKMAN, JOHN	RICHARDSON, DAWN
08/11/02	PERREAULT, JOSEPH L.	DEERING	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
10/19/02	GLIDDEN, RAYMOND L.	CONCORD	GLIDDEN, HAROLD	CARTIER, PRISCILLA

2002 DEERING TOWN MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2002, NEW HAMPSHIRE

A legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Deering qualified to vote in Town Affairs were called to order at 11:00 AM in the morning of March 12, 2002.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
Total ballots cast - 234

Selectman for Three Years	
Michelle M. Johnson	207

Moderator for Two Years	
John A. Lassey	202

Library Trustee for Three Years	
Jean Johnson (Write-in)	10

Supervisor for Six Years	
Eleanor B. Fitzpatrick	189

Treasurer for Three Years	
Stuart R. Huggard	199

HILLSBORO –DEERING COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderator for One Year	
Russell S Galpin	186

School Board from Hillsboro for
Three Years

Virginia Lamberton	80
Paul Plater	140

School Board at Large for One Year	
Babette Haley	173

ARTICLE 2 It was voted to repeal certain sections of the Deering Municipal Ordinance entitled "Condition of External Property" (which restricts the storage of junk and the operation of junkyards), "Regulation of Trailer of Mobile Home Parks" and "Excavations," such sections having been superceded by amendments to the Zoning Ordinance enacted in 2001.

Yes – 130 No- 93

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ARTICLE 3 It was voted to amend the "Statement of Purpose" of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to reflect changes in the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated governing the required purposes of zoning ordinances.

Yes – 158 No- 59

ARTICLE 4 It was voted to amend the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: (1) by adding a new definition for "Home Business" to Section 1; (2) by replacing Paragraph F of Section 2 with a new provision in Section 4 which would permit the establishment and operation of certain home businesses; (3) by transferring so much of Paragraph E of Section 2 as regards the sale of home produce to Section 3; (4) and by transferring Paragraphs: G and H of Section 2 regarding certain specified business uses to Section 4

Yes – 157 No - 60

ARTICLE 5 It was voted to amend Section 6, Paragraph B of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to prevent the expansion of non-conforming structures or uses, which would materially change the nature of such uses or increase the extent of the nonconformity?

Yes – 159 No - 67

ARTICLE 6 It was voted to amend the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to make administrative improvements in several areas as follows: (1) by incorporating a new paragraph numbering and reference system which is uniform throughout the ordinance; (2) by amending Section 2, Paragraph M to correctly refer to the "Shoreland Protection District" rather than to the "Shoreline Protection District;" (3) by correcting an ambiguity in Section 3, Paragraph B concerning when agricultural uses will be allowed by special exception; and (4) by replacing the separate enforcement provision of Sections 8, 10 and 11 with cross-references to Section 7, which deals with overall enforcement of the Ordinance?

Yes – 167 No - 51

On Saturday, March 16, 2001, at 9:00 AM, Mr. Arthur E. Walmsley, Moderator, opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and the singing the first verse of America. He then requested a moment of silence remembering September 11th and any of our citizens who passed away during the year.

ARTICLE 7 It was voted to accept the reports of the Town Officials, Agents, Committees for the year 2001, and Auditors for the year of 2000.

Before acting on Article 8, it was requested by the Selectmen to consider Article 12, which authorized the Selectmen to pay off the ambulance. This reduced the Capital Outlay, Item 22 in Article 8, by \$17,020.00

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ARTICLE 8 By amendment, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$969,816.90 for general municipal operations.

1 EXECUTIVE	63,468.00
2 ELECTION & REGISTRATION	24,522.67
3 FINACIAL ADMINISTRATION	40,026.33
4 LEGAL	8,000.00
5 PLANNING AND ZONING	6,921.00
6 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	17,970.00
7 CEMETERIES	8,500.00
8 INSURANCE NOT OTHERWISE ALLOCATED	13,462.00
9 CENTRAL NH REG PLANNIN COMM	1,781.00
10 POLICE DEPARTMENT	149,954.00
11 FIRE DEPARTMENT	50,968.00
12 CODE ENFORCEMENT	2,148.00
13 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & DISPATCH	5,200.00
14 ROAD MAINTENANCE	284,012.00
15 STREET LIGHTING	2,500.00
16 SANITATION	126,837.00
17 HEALTH	15,536.00
18 WELFARE	10,100.00
19 CULTURE AND RECREATION	13,822.90
20 CONSERVATION COMMISSION	2,195.00
21 INT ON TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES	3,100.00
22 CAPITAL OUTLAY	118,793.00
TOTAL	\$969,816.90

ARTICLE 9 It was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums:

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| 1. Crushed Gravel | \$19,500.00 |
| 2. Road Reconstruction | \$81,566.00 |

ARTICLE 10 It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing calcium chloride for the purpose of reducing road dust on dirt roads. (Submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.)

ARTICLE 11 It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of placing a deposit on a suitable property that is or may become available to be used for a town sand pit.

ARTICLE 12 It was voted to appropriate the sum of \$63,493.23 to pay off the ambulance. The cost of \$63,493.23, to be offset by accepting a donation of \$50,000 and to raise the balance of \$13,493.23.

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ARTICLE 13 It was voted to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year contract with Avitar to provide a town wide reassessment. Total valued of \$84,402.00 to be paid in three (3) yearly installments of \$28,134.00 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,134.00 for the first year's payment due in 2002.

ARTICLE 14 It was voted to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a two-year lease/purchase agreement to obtain a new police cruiser and to raise and appropriate the first year's payment of \$12,000.00. Cost of the cruiser to be \$22,000.00 to be paid in two yearly installments. The first year \$12,000.00 and the second year to be the balance of \$10,000.00.

ARTICLE 15 It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), of which any amount over One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) shall be raised from public contributions or grants, to pay the costs of monitoring the public boat launch area at the south end of Deering Reservoir (Deering Lake) during selected, primarily weekend hours in Summer 2002, in order to make users of the boat launch and the General Public aware of the threat of milfoil and other nuisance exotic aquatic weeds carried by boats from nearby infested lakes, and to inspect boats for evidence of such weeds. (Submitted by petition)

ARTICLE 16 It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to support the Building Committee's efforts for the coming year. The money will be used to fund the Committee's work in assessing the state of all existing town buildings and developing a plan for the restoration and preservation of the town hall. The appropriation will also finance the development of several possible options for creating adequate space for town offices and the police force. Additionally the funds will be used to pay for architectural and engineering consultations and for illustrations and drawing to accompany the various options that the building committee will present at the next town meeting. (Submitted By Building Committee)

ARTICLE 17 It was voted, pursuant to RSA 80:80, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to retain for public use, or to transfer, either by public auction, sealed bids, charitable transfer, privately negotiated sale, or otherwise, for such price and upon such terms and conditions as in their judgment may seem best, any real estate or interest therein which the Town has obtained or shall obtain title by Tax Collector's Deed for nonpayment of taxes, and further, that during the period when title to said property shall be held by the Town, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to rent, use or administer the same as in their judgment may seem best. This vote shall remain in full force and effect indefinitely, until rescinded by future action of the Town Meeting.

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ARTICLE 18 Under this Article the following items were brought before the meeting:

1. Charles Gaides, Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee, said that the Committee needed additional members.
2. Larry Sunderland gave thanks to Arthur Walmsley, Moderator, for his service.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Hazel Vogelien,

Town Clerk

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